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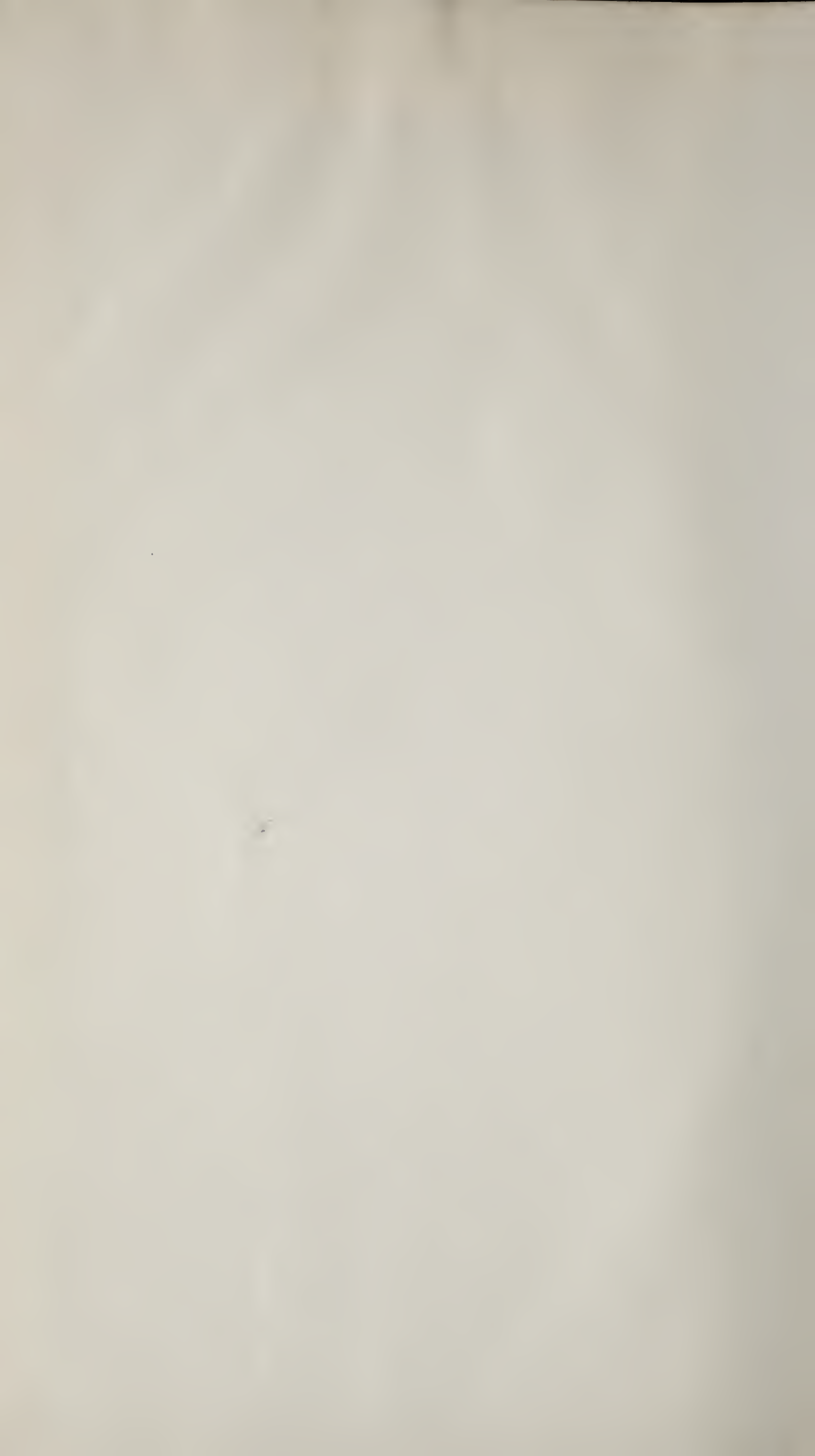
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Gap, Pennsylvania

In writing this history, it was needful to resort to others for information concerning dates and other data concerning our family history. Therefore I am greatly indebted to Mrs. Sallie (Blank) Fisher, for the wealth of material which she so graciously gave us. These were the records of her late uncle, Amos K. Blank, and of Daniel M. Stoltzfus, both deceased. Had this not been available, much of this could not have been written. I thank and praise God there were those of our forefathers who made and preserved records. I again say "Thank you." I also want to thank my family for the great help they have given to this work. It is much appreciated. May God reward you all for it.

This being my first book to the public, I ask forbearance for whatever errors it may contain. Hoping you shall be amply repaid, as you read this book, for the moments spent in doing so.

Sadie R. Blank Mast

"Remember the days of old, consider the years of many generations: ask thy father, and he will shew thee; thy elders and they will tell thee." Deuteronomy 32:7.

"Which we have heard and known, and our fathers have told us.

We will not hide them from their children, shewing to the generation to come the praises of the Lord, and his strength, and his wonderful works that he hath done." Psalm 78:3,4.



The Bishop John Blank Homestead - North of Spring Garden, on Old Philadelphia Pike, Route 340, 16 miles east of Lancaster, Pennsylvania.



Present dwelling house on the Bishop John Blank homestead.

Introduction

Our ancestors were a happy, God fearing people who lived in Switzerland, which is about one third as large as Pennsylvania, until they were persecuted by the Roman Catholic Church. Many were martyred, families torn apart, made captive, cast into prison, driven from their homes, which were taken from them. Some were sent to France and some to Holland.

Our family name, Blank, was a familiar name in Switzerland, during the martyr days.

In 1711, we read of one Anna Blank, and three sons and one daughter, along with others, who were deported from Switzerland to Holland. There were sixty-eight Mennonites in this group.

After more than two hundred years of bitter persecution and suffering, these folks desiring to serve God, decided to leave for the land of promise at any cost. After bidding goodbye to friends, homes and the beautiful country of Switzerland, they boarded the ship with a three inch floor and seven miles of water below them; but with a steadfast faith in their Heavenly Father above them. They launched out into the mighty Atlantic and started on the three thousand mile journey to America. What great faith they had! If there were orphan children or aged ones among them, they took them along. It has been said one third or between 20,000 or 30,000 died on ship and were dropped overboard.

After being on board sometimes for three months, they arrived at Philadelphia, Pa. No homes or friends with food awaiting them, and the sun sinking in the west, they knew that night was near. They started walking westward toward Germantown, six miles away, sleeping by the wayside with the grass for a mattress and the sky for a cover. They arrived footsore and weary, but here

they met folks who were ready and eager to help them. We cannot imagine how thankful they were.

They soon started clearing a little ground and building small log cabins. This was a hard task with no tools and implements to work with, but this was "Home, Sweet Home", in the land of religious liberty. Their persecutions were now beyond the Atlantic.

As more came they moved farther west following Indian paths through the forest. Many times they had to step aside, dig a grave and bury a loved one, and again press on.

Let us all be more thankful for our Christian heritage, and let us not be content to have our names in a Family History only, but strive to have it in the Lamb's Book of Life also.

"The Lord is the portion of mine inheritance, and of my cup. Thou maintainest my lot. The lines are fallen to me in pleasant places, yea I have a goodly heritage." Psalms 16:5, 6.

Faith Of Our Fathers

Faith of our fathers! living still
In spite of dungeon, fire and sword.
Oh how our hearts beat high with joy
Whene'er we hear that glorious word!
Faith of our fathers! holy faith!
We will be true to thee till death!

Our fathers chained in prisons dark,
Were still in heart and conscience free.
How sweet would be their children's fate,
If they, like them, could die for thee!
Faith of our fathers! holy faith!
We will be true to thee till death.

Faith of our fathers! we will love
Both friend and foe in all our strife;
And preach thee too, as love knows how,
By kindly words and virtuous life;
Faith of our fathers! holy faith!
We will be true to thee till death.

EARLY HISTORY

Wm. Penn, who was a Quaker, did many kind and loving deeds for these poor, helpless people. I think we will do well to record a few of them. He came to America in 1682; landing at New Castle. He came with a large fortune, he at one time owned the whole state of Pennsylvania. Some of the land that now sells for \$1500.00 an acre, he sold for 28 cents an acre, to these poor refugees, giving them long terms to pay for their land. Some however were not able to pay, so he graciously left them have it.

Being much concerned about having Christian people on his land, he welcomed these poor Amish folks. This way he was able to help many poor Christian families to a happy home of their own. He laid down his great fortune to help others to freedom and happiness, gave all he had to help the poor struggling ones, and died a poor penniless man, without even a home of his own. He was a great Christian writer, and we note a few nuggets of wisdom, from a letter written to his own children.

"Avoid the great sin of needless expense on your persons, as well as in houses, while there are so many hungry and naked ones around you. My heart has often been grieved to see the aged folks, and poor helpless children lie all night at the threshold of the very rich, for want of better lodging. I charge you, my children, choose your clothes for their usefulness, not for fashion. They

are not to be for finery, or to please the vain mind of yourself or others. It shows little esteem for wisdom. Blessed is he that considereth the poor, the Psalmist says, he will deliver in time of trouble.

Once more I say be good to the poor, be just, be kind to them. "

He encouraged the people of his province to live a plain simple Christian life, to save their money, to help each other when in need.

The church respected Wm. Penn so highly, they made it one of their church disciplines, to use all their surplus money to help the neglected suffering families around them. No money was to be carried away for outside investments, for financial gain. (Eshelman)

According to history Gap, Pa. , was the scene of the memorable visit of Wm. Penn, in 1700. Here is the Penn Rock, which he used as a dining table, and the spring where he met King Opessah, chief of the Shawnee Indians. Here he remained overnight, and was entertained by feasting on roast deer, and Indian corn baked in ashes. He joined in the merry making by dancing with the Indian maidens. (Gap History)

THIS BOOK CONTAINS THE FAMILIES OF:

1 Jacob Blank, M. D.	1st Generation
2 Jacob Blank	2nd Generation
3 Bishop John Blank about 1755 - 1835	3rd Generation
4 John Blank 1784 - 1846	4th Generation
5 Samuel L. Blank 1813 - 1877	5th Generation
6 Joseph E. Blank 1837 - 1894	6th Generation
7 Joseph H. Blank 1873 - 1939	7th Generation

8	S. Earl Blank	1910 -	8th Generation
9	Wilmer K. Blank	1936 -	9th Generation
10	Roger Lee Blank	1957 -	10th Generation

These ten generations cover a period of more than two hundred and fifty years.

Dr. Jacob Blank

The following facts have been handed down from one generation to another. Since not many records were kept in the earlier days, I will write this as I received it.

We appreciate the following history from the records of the late Amos K. Blank.

"The first of our noble ancestors named Blank that we can find any record of was Dr. Jacob Blank, a practicing physician M. D. who came to America from Basel, Switzerland, arriving in Philadelphia on Oct. 3, 1710.

He received his medical education between 1696 and 1700 when he was a student at Basel University, Switzerland. "

These ancestors endured much suffering and many trials. As the persecutions became worse, he with many others bade "Goodbye" to friends and their beautiful homeland of Switzerland, and on June 30 sailed for America. They spent nine days in England and after being tossed about the ocean for almost three months they reached Philadelphia on Oct. 3, 1710.

They reached Germantown, which was six miles west of Philadelphia, and here Dr. Jacob Blank, M. D., continued in his medical profession till in 1720 he purchased land in Oley Township, Berks Co., where he permanently settled, resided, and practiced medicine until his death. He was the first medical doctor in Berks Co. This tract of land is situated where the Bertolet Mill now stands

in the city of Reading, Pa. He was one of the petitioners for the incorporation of Oley Township in 1720.

We have no record of his family except his son Jacob married Mary Catherine, last name unknown. They were the parents of four sons.

This home was broken up by death and four small brothers were parted and grew up in different homes. This accounts for some of the difference in spelling the name.

- 1 Peter was born in 1745, came to Morgantown, and was later ordained Bishop.
- 2 Melchior, or Michael, later went out West.
- 3 Jacob lived near Ephrata.
- 4 John was born about 1755, came to Lancaster Co.

Bishop Peter Blank had charge of Conestoga and Pequea churches from 1808 until his death in 1831. After his death his brother Bishop John Blank had charge of both Conestoga and Pequea churches until his death in 1835. He was the first Amish Mennonite Bishop living in Pequea Valley.

He moved to Lancaster County on the farm between White Horse and Gap, where Christian Glick, minister in the Amish Church recently lived. He married Barbara King in 1778, and moved to Ledger, now Spring Garden, in 1780.

Here they lived and worked in the pioneer days. Sixteen years later on July 2, 1794, the Lord called the mother from her family and her earthly home to her heavenly home. Her body was laid to rest on the home farm. This was the first grave in the well cared for Blank Cemetery. About one mile north of Spring Garden, Pa. How often this bereft father and children could look across the field to Mother's grave.

Day and nights their hearts would wander
To a grave not far away

Where they laid their darling Mother
On that sad July day.

There her body now is resting
Neath the warm and silent clay,
Til her Lord will come again
On the Resurrection Day.

His second wife was Barbara Yoder. She died in 1837. Bishop John was bishop from 1831 til his death in 1835. He had three sons in the ministry.

John and Samuel were ministers and Christian was a deacon.

Samuel was ordained in 1860 and died in 1867.

Christian died in Juniata County in 1844. He was the ancestor of the Blank family near the Millwood Church.

John died in 1846. He was the ancestor of our line. John and both wives are buried in the Blank Cemetery at Spring Garden.

In later years the Blank family owned three adjoining farms.

There were also five generations named Blank who lived in this homestead. There are five generations carrying the Blank name whose bodies are resting in this cemetery. Also some of the sixth generation named Stoltzfus.

3-THIRD GENERATION-2

1 John Blank (1) Born about 1755
Died 1835

Married 1778 to Barbara King, a daughter of Samuel (Koenig) King who came to America in 1744.

Born
Died July 2, 1794

Second wife was Barbara Yoder Born
Died 1837

Children

- | | | |
|----|--|--|
| 1 | Mary | Born July 29, 1780
Died Dec. 26, 1848 |
| | Married Jacob Stoltzfus | |
| 2 | Annie | Born Jan. 13, 1782
Died Nov. 30, 1856 |
| | Married Christian Stoltzfus | |
| 3 | John (2) | Born Sept. 24, 1784
Died May 24, 1846 |
| | Married Fannie Lantz | |
| 4 | Jacob | Born Apr. 29, 1786
Died |
| 5 | Samuel | Born July 23, 1788
Died 1867 |
| | Married Barbara Yoder | |
| 6 | Barbara | Born Feb. 2, 1790
Died Mar. 5, 1873 |
| | Married Christian Newhauser | |
| 7 | Elizabeth | Born June 11, 1792
Died Jan. 24, 1874 |
| | Married Christian Fisher | |
| 8 | Christian | Born June 24, 1794
Died Apr. 7, 1844 |
| | Married Catherine Yoder | |
| 9 | Estra | Born Dec. 31, 1797
Died |
| 10 | Sarah | Born Aug. 30, 1799
Died |
| | Married Nicholas Blank | |
| 11 | Rachel | Born Apr. 5, 1802
Died Feb. 6, 1873 |
| | Married Daniel Mast of Morgantown, Pa. | |
| 12 | Daniel | Born 1805
Died young |

NOTES ON THE THIRD GENERATION

- 1 Mary was the grandmother of Bishop Gideon of Millwood.*
- 2 Annie was the grandmother of preacher Christian Stoltzfus of Morgantown and preacher Daniel Stoltzfus of Millwood.**
- 3 Samuel married Barbara Yoder. They had one son, two daughters, and four grandchildren. Family all died young.
- 4 Barbara married Christian Newhauser.***
- 5 Elizabeth married Christian Fisher.****
- 6 Christian is the ancestor of the Blanks near Millwood.
- 7 Sarah married Nicholas Blank, grandson of Hans Blank, of near Cains.
- 8 Rachel, mother of John P. Mast and grandmother of Daniel M. Stoltzfus, who gave us much information on this family.*****

*#357, Mast History and #3623, Fisher History

**#3629 Fisher History and Reuben G. Stoltzfus History

***#3418 Fisher History

****#2077 Fisher History

*****#282 Mast History

4-FOURTH GENERATION-3

John Blank, son of Bishop John and Barbara King was born at Spring Garden. Born Sept. 24, 1784
Died May 24, 1848

Married in 1809 to Fannie Lantz daughter of Jacob and Magdaline Lantz of Mifflin County, Pa.

Born Dec. 20, 1787

Died Dec. 27, 1859

Children (all born at Spring Garden, Pa.)

- 1 Lydia Born May 22, 1811
Died Apr. 24, 1851

- Married John Neuhauser
- 2 Samuel Born Oct. 24, 1813
 Died Nov. 20, 1877
- Married Veronica (Fanny) Umble
 Second wife was Lovina Massey
- 3 Jacob Born Mar. 28, 1816
 Died Feb. 28, 1893
- Married Maria Stoltzfus
- 4 John Born Aug. 10, 1818
 Died Oct. 4, 1822
- 5 Christian Born Sept. 8, 1820
 Died Aug. 6, 1874
- Married Sarah Kurtz
- 6 Mattie Born Apr. 12, 1823
 Died Nov. 30, 1887
- Married John Smucker
- 7 Stephen Born Jan. 30, 1826
 Died Jan. 18, 1857
- Married Nancy Stoltzfus

NOTES ON THE FOURTH GENERATION

- 1 Lydia was the mother of Stephen Neuhauser.
 He lived at Gap, Pennsylvania. He is the ancestor of the Neuhauser's of the Gap vicinity.
- 2 Samuel L. was the father of Joseph E. Blank and the grandfather of Joseph H. Blank.
- 3 Jacob was the grandfather of preacher Amos B. Stoltzfus, David Blank, Maud Zook, and Fanny Augsberger.*
- 4 Christian was the father of Enos Blank; grandfather of Sally Fisher, wife of Daniel K. Fisher; also father of Amos Blank, who gathered much information for this history.
- 5 John died aged 4 years, buried in the Blank cemetery.
- 6 Mattie was mother of David B. Smoker, and grandfather Amos Smoker; Amos B. Smoker and grandfather William Smoker.

*Fisher History #2988

7 Stephen was killed in a railroad accident near Paradise, Pennsylvania, on January 18, 1857.

Samuel L. Blank moved from Spring Garden to a one hundred acre farm near Chatham, Chester Co., Pa. Here he owned and operated a printing shop, printing the local newspaper, (etc).

This was during the Civil War; he was much in sympathy with the South and his shop was burned to the ground. This shop was between Chatham and Jennersville. Aaron Blank with his nephew Joseph H. Blank and son Earl visited this farm in 1926.

It was here that his second wife died on Oct. 13, 1867. After her death he moved to Greensboro, Tulbert Co., Md. Lizzie and Fanny (daughters of first marriage) went along; later Lizzie went to Tennessee and later married George Mancha.

Fanny came to Lancaster Co., later married George Brietweiser then moved to Nebraska.

A clipping taken from the Village Record of West Chester dated Nov. 2, 1869 reads as follows:

Sale of Real Estate in London Grove Township. The undersigned has removed to the state of Maryland offers his farm for sale, 2 miles north west from West Grove Station, midway between Chatham and Jennersville, 100 acres. Large stone house (etc).

Signed: Samuel L. Blank.

Greensboro, Maryland

In Maryland they had a 3 year old peach orchard of 75 acres at the time of his death.

Samuel L. Blank died near Greensboro, Md. Nov. 20, 1877; his remains were brought to Lancaster Co., and buried in the Blank cemetery near Spring Garden, Pa. After his death the children came back to Gap and lived with their sister Nancy and husband David Lantz.

Aaron, Sadie, Rebecca, and Magdalena went to Gap School.

5-FIFTH GENERATION-4

Samuel L. Blank, son of John and Fanny Lantz
Blank was born near Spring Garden.

Born Oct. 24, 1813

Died Nov. 20, 1877

Married Jan. 22, 1836 to Veronica (Fanny) Umble,
daughter of John and Polly Kurtz Umble.

Born June 1807

Died Jan. 1, 1855

Veronica or Fanny Umble was a great grand-daughter of Hans and Magdalena Blank, who came to America prior to 1752. They brought two orphan boys along, Christian Umble and John Holley. These boys later married Hans' daughters. John Holley married Catherine and Christian Umble married Barbara and they were the grandparents of Fanny. Therefore this family is descended from Dr. Jacob Blank on the paternal side and from Dr. Hans Blank on the maternal side.

Children

1 Joseph E. (6) Born Jan. 24, 1837
Died Feb. 5, 1894

Married Carolina Hertzler

2 John Umble (118) Born Apr. 1838
Died Apr. 25, 1902

Married Ella Whitman

3 Justice Henry (141) Born Nov. 13, 1839
Died Aug. 1918

Married Barbara Yoder

4 Mary (167) Born Dec. 24, 1841
Died in Texas

Married Christian Stoltzfus

5 Nancy (Annie) (181) Born Jan. 26, 1844
Died Sept. 1, 1903

Married David Lantz

6 Elizabeth (203) Born Feb. 13, 1846
Died 1922

Married George Manchey

7 Lydia (208) Born May 4, 1848
Died Apr. 13, 1851

8 Enoch (209) Born Jan. 3, 1851
Died 1908

9 Fanny (210) Born July 24, 1853
Died May 24, 1884

Married George Breitweiser

Samuel L. married the second time to Lovina
Massey in Feb. 1856. She was the daughter of
John and Mary Wallace Massey. Born
Died Oct. 13, 1867

Children

1 Samuel Eugene (211) Born Jan. 11, 1857
Died

Married Anna G. Winther

2 Lydia (213) Born June 19, 1858
Died Aug. 1891

Married _____ Rash

3 Aaron (214) Born Sept. 5, 1860
Married Annie Stoner Died March 18, 1938

Married the second time to Lizzie Pain

4 Sarah (Sadie) (219) Born Sept. 7, 1862
Died Dec. 30, 1938

Married George Breitweiser (his 2nd wife)

5 Rebecca (245) Born Sept. 19, 1864
Died Jan. 10, 1935

Married Charles Harris

6 Maggie (250) Born June 3, 1866
Died Jan. 5, 1945

Married William Hargelroad



Childhood home of Lovina Massey Blank near
Spring Garden, Pa. Present owner **John U. Reeser**



Hans Blank Homestead

Since the Bishop John Blank and the Hans Blank families have intermarried this book would not be complete without the following.

From Old Hertzler History dated 1885

Hans and Magdalena Blank were members of the Reformed Church. They fled from Switzerland by reason of being persecuted for their religious faith by the Roman Catholic Church who made a raid on their home by night when Hans was away from home. His wife being alone, took her two week old child and fled for safety by night in deep snow. Following a path into the mountains all night, meeting no one, but a large black dog which led them on in the path. (We know not why this dog should be going through the woods at this particular time.) History tells us he led her and her child safely to the home of friends who so kindly provided for her until her husband called for her.

Hans Blank and wife then united with the Amish Mennonite Church and emigrated to America prior to 1752. They resided in Heidelberg Township, Berks Co., Pa. until the spring of 1767 when they removed to Salisbury Township, Lancaster Co., Pa. on a farm of 303 acres bought from Hugh Jenkins for 1700 pounds. Warrant was granted to Hugh Jenkins for this land Sept. 3, 1765. Part of this land lies in Chester Co.

Hans Blank there practiced medicine. Prior to his death he divided his land; his daughter Catherine who married John Holley received 137 acres price 250 pounds; his son John received the residue 166 acres. The lineal descendants of this Blank family residing on the farm are of the fifth generation.

(At the present time (1962) almost two hundred years later there are still three members of the sixth generation of this family residing on the Old Homestead.)

Hans Blank was born of Swiss parents in Switzerland, Europe. Occupation, Doctor of Physics. Hans died in Jan. 1790. Magdalena died in April, 1796. Both are buried on the homestead near Cains, Pa. Address when he died was Cains, Lancaster Co., Pa. Mast History says Hans Blank arrived in Philadelphia Oct. 4, 1751 on the ship Queen of Denmark. Footnote of Family 563. Rupps 30,000 names page 263.

Children:

1 Anna	married Joseph Hostetler
2 John	" Fanny Smucker
3 Catherine	" John Holley
4 Barbara	" Christian Umble
5 Magdalena	" Christian Zug
6 Christiana	" Jacob Yoder

NOTES ON THE FIFTH GENERATION

- 1 Joseph E. lived near Spring Garden, Gap, Compass, Pennsylvania, and vicinity.
- 2 John lived near Cambridge, Pa.
- 3 Henry lived in Missouri.
- 4 Mary lived in Texas.
- 5 Nancy lived at Gap and Lancaster, Pa.
- 6 Elizabeth lived in Kansas.
- 7 Enoch died single in Colorado.
- 8 Fanny lived in Nebraska.
- 9 Samuel Eugene lived in Illinois.
- 10 Lydia lived and died near Dover, Delaware.
- 11 Aaron lived in Kansas.
- 12 Sadie lived in Nebraska and Kansas.
- 13 Rebecca lived in Nebraska.
- 14 Maggie lived in Nebraska.

6-SIXTH GENERATION-5

- 1 Joseph E. Blank,* son of Samuel L. and Veronica (Fanny) Umble Blank. Born Jan. 24, 1837
 Died Feb. 5, 1894
 Married Mar. 12, 1868, To Caroline Hertzler**
 daughter of Christian and Caroline Hertzler.
 Born Dec. 22, 1839
 Died Mar. 1, 1908

Children

- | | | |
|---------------------|-------|---|
| 1 Annie | (7) | Born Feb. 3, 1869
Died Nov. 4, 1949 |
| 2 Matilda (Tillie) | (45) | Born Mar. 7, 1870
Died Mar. 13, 1936 |
| 3 Lucinda | | Born Sept. 30, 1871
Died Mar. 6, 1873 |
| 4 Joseph H. | (73) | Born Jan. 22, 1873
Died Apr. 14, 1939 |
| 5 Elizabeth (Betsy) | (94) | Born July 31, 1874
Died Jan. 22, 1933 |
| 6 Amanda | | Born Apr. 29, 1876
Died May 4, 1876 |
| 7 Victoria | | Born June 26, 1878
Died Dec. 26, 1878 |
| 8 Samuel H. | (113) | Born Dec. 22, 1879
Died Sept. 28, 1935 |

* Joseph E. his wife and three little daughters are buried in the Blank Cemetery, near Spring Garden.

** Caroline Hertzler was born near Port Royal, Juniata County, Pa. Her mother died the same day she was born. She was brought to Morgantown, Berks County, Pa., in a basket when six weeks old by horseback. A distance of about 120 miles and through a deep snow at the time. She was a great, great granddaughter of Hans and Magdalena Blank.

JOSEPH E. BLANK 1837-1894



Joseph E. Blank (grandfather) was born near Spring Garden, Pennsylvania, on Jan. 24, 1837 married on March 12, 1868, and died on Feb. 5, 1894, near Compass, Pa., aged 57 years and 12 days.

CAROLINE H. BLANK 1839-1908



Caroline Hertzler Blank (grandmother) was born near Port Royal, Pa., on Dec. 22, 1839, married on March 12, 1868, and died on March 1, 1908, near Gap. Pa., aged 68 years, 2 months and 9 days.

7-SEVENTH GENERATION-6

1 Annie Blank*, Parkesburg, Pa.

Born Jan. 3, 1869

Died Nov. 4, 1949

Married Dec. 29, 1892 to Emanuel Mast**, son of Benuel and Sarah Stoltzfus Mast.

Born Apr. 4, 1872

Died Nov. 3, 1944

Children

1 J. Ernest (8)

Born Dec. 8, 1893

2 Elam F. (12)

Born May 31, 1895

3 Lina (16)

Born Dec. 15, 1896

4 Elizabeth (Lizzie) (23)

Born Sept. 19, 1898

5 Naomi (32)

Born Sept. 19, 1900

6 Ruth Orpha

Born June 7, 1903

Died June 7, 1903

7 Omar B. (37)

Born Aug. 22, 1904

8 Paul E. (40)

Born July 11, 1910

9 Marvin H. (44)

Born Apr. 6, 1916

Died Nov. 20, 1952

* Annie Blank united with the Mennonite Church in 1886.

** Emanuel Mast united with the Mennonite Church in 1891. Both are buried in the Millwood Cemetery.

8-EIGHTH GENERATION-7

1 J. Ernest Mast, Rothsville, Pa.

Born Dec. 8, 1893

Married Jan. 18, 1923 to Sarah R. Winey, daughter of Ammon and Sarah Graybill Winey.

Born Sept. 22, 1897

Children

1 Vernon Ernest (9)

Born Sept. 24, 1925

2 Lorraine Jean (10)

Born Mar. 11, 1927

3 Wayne Winey (11)

Born April 25, 1931

9-NINTH GENERATION-8

1 Vernon Ernest Mast, Rothsville, Pa.

Born Sept. 24, 1925

Married June 26, 1949 to Pauline Gingerich, daughter of Daniel and Mabel Gingerich.

Born Nov. 3, 1928

Children

1 Karen Sue

Born Jan. 12, 1953

2 Dianne Lynne

Born Dec. 12, 1959

3 Christine

Born Dec. 4, 1961

10-NINTH GENERATION-8

2 Lorraine Jean Mast, Rothsville, Pa.

Born Mar. 11, 1927

Married Mar. 25, 1951 to Harry Shelly Oberholtzer son of John and Anna Shelly Oberholtzer.

Born June 18, 1922

Children

1 Debra Sue

Born Sept. 11, 1954

2 Curtis Lynn

Born Sept. 20, 1956

11-NINTH GENERATION-8

3 Wayne Winey Mast, Rothsville, Pa.

Born Apr. 25, 1931

Married May 4, 1953 to Mary Louise Hevner, daughter of Ollie and Grayvella Hevner.

Born Oct. 9, 1932

Children

1 Linda Kay

Born Apr. 4, 1954

2 Douglas Wayne

Born Feb. 17, 1956

3 Donna Lynn

Born July 23, 1957

4 Luanne

Born Dec. 27, 1959

12-EIGHTH GENERATION-7

2 Elam F. Mast, Route 2, Parkesburg, Pa.

Born May 31, 1895

Married Nov. 17, 1917 to Miriam Stoltzfus, daughter of John K. and Barbara Glick Stoltzfus.

Born Dec. 19, 1895

Died May 28, 1959

Children

1 John Melvin 13

Born Apr. 20, 1919

2 Margaret Lois 14

Born July 22, 1922

3 Elam Kenneth 15

Born June 19, 1927

13-NINTH GENERATION-12

J. Melvin Mast, Route 2, Parkesburg, Pa.

Born Apr. 20, 1919

Married Feb. 22, 1940 to Anna Mary Mast, daughter of Amos K. and Fannie Kennel Mast.

Born Feb. 7, 1918

Children

1 Barbara Ann (13A)

Born Sept. 24, 1941

2 Gladys Miriam

Born Feb. 22, 1944

3 James Melvin

Born Apr. 9, 1947

4 John Elvin

Nov. 2, 1948

5 Fannie Elaine

Born June 9, 1950

6 Glenn Richard

Born Sept. 12, 1952

7 Mary Jane

Born Feb. 7, 1955

8 Allen Carl

Born July 20, 1956

9 Sharon Lynn

Born Aug. 30, 1961

13A-TENTH GENERATION-13

Barbara Ann Mast

Born Sept. 24, 1941

Married Apr. 13, 1962 to Vernon C. Yoder
son of John and Agnes Kauffman Yoder.

Born Dec. 26, 1939

14-NINTH GENERATION-12

2 Margaret L. Mast, Gap, Pa. Born July 22, 1922
Married to Harvey J. Kauffman, son of Joshua and
Rebecca Zook Kauffman. Born Jan. 1, 1922

Children

1 Darlene Lois	Born Mar. 26, 1947
2 Jane LaVerne	Born June 6, 1950
3 Marlin Wayne	Born Mar. 11, 1956
4 Dean Harvey	Born Feb. 12, 1959

15-NINTH GENERATION-12

3 E. Kenneth Mast, Route 2, Parkesburg, Pa.
Born June 19, 1927

Married to Vera Hostetter, daughter of Jay and
Margie Hershey Hostetter. Born July 2, 1927

Children

1 Janet Marlene	Born Nov. 13, 1948
2 Carol Jean	Born Dec. 19, 1951
3 E. Robert	Born Oct. 24, 1953
4 Harold Kenneth	Born Jan. 18, 1958

16-EIGHTH GENERATION-7

3 Lina (Caroline) Mast 124 Gilmore Drive,
Upland, California Born Dec. 15, 1896

Married Jan. 10, 1918 to Christian R. Miller, son
of Samuel P. and Katie Raber Miller.

Born Nov. 11, 1896

Children

1 Ernest Edwin (17)	Born Sept. 4, 1919
2 Raymond Emerson (20)	Born Sept. 14, 1922
3 Lewis Emanuel (21)	Born Dec. 20, 1925
4 Pearl Marie (22)	Born Mar. 3, 1931

17-NINTH GENERATION-16

1 Ernest Edwin Miller, Denver, Colorado

Born Sept. 4, 1919

Married to Magdalene Landis, daughter of Andrew
and Bertha Landis

Born Oct. 9, 1915

Children

1 Robert Ernest (18)

Born Jan. 10, 1939

2 Arnold Paul (19)

Born Sept. 13, 1941

3 Christian Andrew

Born Jan. 9, 1943

4 Carol Joy

Born Apr. 24, 1944

18-TENTH GENERATION-17

1 Robert Ernest Miller, Denver, Colorado

Born Jan. 10, 1939

Married Barbara Boone, July 22, 1961

Born

19-TENTH GENERATION-17

2 Arnold Paul Miller, Myerstown, Pa.

Born Sept. 13, 1941

Married Faye Himmelberger, August 30, 1959

Born

Children

1 Teresa Yvonne

Born Sept. 6, 1960

2 Desiree

Born Sept. 12, 1961

20-NINTH GENERATION-16

2 Raymond Emerson Miller, Doylestown, Pa.

Born Sept. 14, 1922

Married to Mildred Grace Blauch

Born June 6, 1923

Children

- | | |
|---------------|---------------------|
| 1 Donna Jean | Born Feb. 1, 1949 |
| 2 Linda Marie | Born Dec. 6, 1950 |
| 3 Ronald Earl | Born Oct. 31, 1953 |
| 4 Ellen Sue | Born Sept. 13, 1959 |

21-NINTH GENERATION-16

- 3 Lewis Emanuel Miller, R. 2, Parkesburg, Pa.
Born Dec. 20, 1925

Married Pauline Peppernick Born May 2, 1924

Children

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|-------------------|---------------------|
| 1 Delores Louise | Born Sept. 28, 1951 |
| 2 Katherine Marie | Born July 28, 1957 |
| 3 Darlene Lou | Born Oct. 21, 1958 |

22-NINTH GENERATION-16

- 4 Pearl Marie Miller, 1490 25th St., Upland, Cal.
Born Mar. 3, 1931

Married John Mellinger Born Jan. 8, 1930

Children

- | | |
|----------------|--------------------|
| 1 Brenda Jean | Born Mar. 2, 1952 |
| 2 Willie Paul | Born May 28, 1953 |
| 3 David Eugene | Born July 18, 1954 |
| 4 Rosa Lee | Born June 15, 1957 |

23-EIGHTH GENERATION-7

- 4 Elizabeth (Lizzie) Mast, Paradise, Pa.
Born Sept. 19, 1898

Married to Elam Smoker, son of Amos and Sallie
Esch Smoker Born Jan. 11, 1895

Children

- | | |
|-------------------|---|
| 1 Arthur (24) | Born Apr. 19, 1919 |
| 2 Pauline (25) | Born June 3, 1921 |
| 3 Omer | Born Apr. 6, 1924
Died Feb. 12, 1925 |
| 4 Irene Ruth (26) | Born June 23, 1928 |

5 Naomi Caroline (27)	Born Mar. 30, 1930
6 Elvin Myril (28)	Born Dec. 29, 1931
7 Erma Elizabeth (29)	Born Dec. 20, 1933
8 Louise Dorothy (30)	Born Aug. 10, 1935
9 Jeanette Esther (31)	Born July 29, 1940

24-NINTH GENERATION-23

1 Arthur Smoker, Malvern, Pa. Born Apr. 19, 1919
 Married Mar. 26, 1941 to Dorothy Malin, daughter
 of George and Grace Haldeman Malin

Born May 29, 1917

Children

1 Arthur Jr.	Born Nov. 12, 1942
2 Howard Paul	Born Feb. 7, 1944
3 Emerson Ralph	Born Oct. 4, 1945
4 Robert Elvin	Born Jan. 21, 1952

25-NINTH GENERATION-23

2 Pauline Smoker, Paradise, Pa.

Born June 3, 1921

Married Feb. 27, 1946 to Paul Martin son of Bishop
 Abram and Katie Martin

Born Dec. 4

Children

1 Gary Lee	Born June 24, 1948
2 Judy Ann	Born Mar. 17, 1951
3 Linda Sue	Born Feb. 11, 1954

26-NINTH GENERATION-23

4 Irene Ruth Smoker, Paradise, Pa.

Born June 23, 1928

Married to Irvin H. Martin, son of Clarence and
 Anna Martin on June 2, 1949

Born Dec. 27, 1928

Children

1 Wayne Lamar	Born Oct. 5, 1953
2 James Irvin	Born Feb. 12, 1956
3 Michael Ray	Born Dec. 11, 1960

27-NINTH GENERATION-23

5 Naomi Caroline Smoker, Strasburg, Pa.

Born Mar. 30, 1930

Married May 12, 1950 to Harold Byers, son of
Phares and Pearl Byers

Born Mar. 17, 1930

Children

1 Beverly Ann

Born Apr. 9, 1954

2 Carol Louise

Born Dec. 22, 1955

3 Audrey Jean

Born Aug. 10, 1957

4 Debby Elizabeth

Born Sept. 1958

28-NINTH GENERATION-23

6 Elvin Myril Smoker, Enfield Drive, Lancaster,
Pa.

Born Dec. 29, 1931

Married Nov. 14, 1953 to Anna Buckwalter, daugh-
ter of John Buckwalter

Born Apr. 16, 1932

Children

1 Brenda Kay

Born Nov. 17, 1954

2 Karen Jean

Born Sept. 27, 1956

29-NINTH GENERATION-23

7 Erma Elizabeth Smoker, Worcester, Pa.

Born Dec. 20, 1933

Married June 26, 1954 to Earl Kurtz, son of Ira
and Irene Kurtz*

Born Oct. 25, 1933

Died Feb. 10, 1958

Children

1 Marilyn Louise

Born Dec. 26, 1957

*Earl was fatally injured in a tractor trailer
accident and died two hours later in the Sunbury
Hospital, Sunbury, Pa., aged 24 years, 3 months
and 16 days. Burial in Conestoga Mennonite Ceme-
tery, Morgantown, Pa.

Erma married the second time May 21, 1960 to
David Clemmens, son of Earl and Katie Clemmens.

Children

2 Valerie Ann
3 David Randal

Born Aug. 11, 1961
Born Sept. 28, 1962

30-NINTH GENERATION-23

8 Louise Dorothy Smoker, Paradise, Pa.
Born Aug. 10, 1925
Married Sept. 2, 1961 to Paul Miller

31-NINTH GENERATION-23

9 Jeanette Esther Smoker, Paradise, Pa.
Born July 29, 1940
Married Aug. 27, 1960 to Kenneth Eby, son of
Clair and Verna Rohrer Eby

Children

1 Vincent Lamar

Born Aug. 21, 1962

32-EIGHTH GENERATION-7

5 Naomi Mast, Atglen, Pa. Born Sept. 19, 1900
Married Feb. 5, 1925 to Elam G. Stoltzfus, son of
John M. and Lizzie Neuhauser Stoltzfus

Born Sept. 17, 1900

Children

1 Anna Elizabeth (33)

Born July 12, 1929

2 Pearl Laverne (34)

Born June 7, 1932

3 Harold G.

Born Feb. 15, 1935

Died Feb. 15, 1935

4 Elam Glen (35)

Born June 29, 1938

5 Louis Green foster son
(36)

Born Aug. 12, 1920

33-NINTH GENERATION-32

1 Anna Elizabeth Stoltzfus, Atglen, Pa.
Born July 12, 1929

Married to Eugene Witmer	Born Sept. 26, 1927
<u>Children</u>	
1 Daryl Eugene	Born May 20, 1951
2 Randall Dean	Born Feb. 18, 1953
3 Jon Kent	Born Sept. 14, 1958
4 Gina Ann	Born Oct. 10, 1959

34-NINTH GENERATION-32

2 Pearl Laverne Stoltzfus, Atglen, Pa.
 Born June 7, 1932
 Married June 8, 1955 to Melvin Lapp son of Samuel
 and Susie Glick Lapp Born Jan. 26, 1930
Children
 Richard Dean Born Nov. 13, 1960

35-NINTH GENERATION-32

4 Elam Glenn Stoltzfus, Leola, Pa.
 Born June 29, 1938
 Married June 1959 to Mary Jane King, daughter of
 Earl and Emma Byler King Born May 30, 1940
Children
 1 Brent Owen Born Mar. 28, 1962

36-NINTH GENERATION-32

5 Louis Green, Foster son, Elverson, Pa.
 Born Aug. 12, 1920
 Married to Erma Stoltzfus, daughter of Levi and
 Mary Beiler Stoltzfus Born June 24, 1922
Children
 1 Louis Glenn Born Mar. 11, 1943
 2 Gerald Jay Born Nov. 5, 1944
 3 Dale Lee Born Feb. 14, 1952
 Died Oct. 29, 1954
 4 James Carl Born May 27, 1953

37-EIGHTH GENERATION-7

7 Omer B. Mast, Sturgis, Michigan

Born Aug. 22, 1905

Married Dec. 19, 1931 to Rachel Neuhouser, daughter of Amos and Sadie Kauffman Neuhouser

Born Dec. 26, 1906

Children

1 Truman Emanuel (38)

Born Nov. 6, 1932

2 Evelyn Yvonne (39)

Born Feb. 16, 1935

38-NINTH GENERATION-37

1 Truman E. Mast, St. Louis, Missouri, Medical doctor

Born Nov. 8, 1932

Married Aug. 17, 1957 to Ada Marie Glick, daughter of Aaron and Annie Glick Glick

Born June 4, 1933

Children

1 Pamela Catharine

Born Mar. 21, 1961

2 Susan Jennifer

Born Dec. 2, 1962

39-NINTH GENERATION-37

2 Evelyn Yvonne Mast, Sturgis, Michigan, R. 3

Born Feb. 16, 1935

Married Oct. 20, 1956 to Daniel Miller Born

Children

1 Cynthia Lee

Born Oct. 18, 1957

2 Jeffry Lynn

Born Dec. 19, 1958

3 Gregory Brent

Born Apr. 19, 1960

4 Karen Joy

Born Jan. 4, 1962

Died June 11, 1962

40-EIGHTH GENERATION-7

8 Paul E. Mast, Lansing, North Carolina

Born July 11, 1910

Married Feb. 4, 1933 to Rachel Lapp, daughter of David and Anna Mary Lapp Born Aug. 8, 1911

Children

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|--------------------|--------------------|
| 1 Leona Grace (41) | Born Jan. 31, 1934 |
| 2 John Ross (42) | Born Mar. 17, 1937 |
| 3 Anna Mary (43) | Born July 13, 1941 |
| 4 Paul Glenn | Born June 9, 1947 |
| 5 Jean | Born May 28, 1953 |
- Paul Mast, ordained a minister at Nickle Mines in 1952, moved to Lansing, North Carolina in 1956.

41-NINTH GENERATION-40

- 1 Leona Grace Mast, Manheim, Pa.
 Born Jan. 31, 1934
 Married Sept. 8, 1956 to Jesse Peters, son of
 Wayne R. and Minnie Peters Born Aug. 3, 1933
- Children
- | | |
|----------------|---------------------|
| 1 Jesse Keith | Born Dec. 5, 1957 |
| 2 David Lynn | Born Sept. 24, 1959 |
| 3 Gene Ray | Born May 10, 1961 |
| 4 Kenton Glenn | Born Sept. 18, 1962 |

42-NINTH GENERATION-40

- 2 John Ross Mast, Lansing, North Carolina
 Born Mar. 17, 1937
 Married June 6, 1957 to Pauline E. Herr, daughter
 of Willis G. Herr Born June , 1936
- Children
- | | |
|-----------------|-------------------|
| 1 James Richard | Born May 8, 1959 |
| 2 Joy Elaine | Born Oct. 6, 1961 |

43-NINTH GENERATION-40

- 3 Anna Mary Mast, Lansing, North Carolina
 Born July 13, 1941
 Married Aug. 6, 1960 to Larry G. Shepherd
- Children
- | | |
|---------------|--------------------|
| 1 Paul Dwight | Born July 23, 1961 |
|---------------|--------------------|

44-EIGHTH GENERATION-7

9 Marvin H. Mast, Parkesburg, Pa.

Born Apr. 6, 1916

Died Nov. 20, 1952

Married to Ellen Plank

Born Mar. 10, 1921

Children

1 Marvin Harold

Born June 21, 1942

2 Betty

Born Dec. 17, 1943

3 Sandra

Born Oct. 29, 1945

4 Janet

Born Mar. 3, 1949

Marvin met instant death when hit by another car near his home. Age 36 years, 7 months and 10 days. Buried in St. Johns Episcopal Cemetery at Compass, Pa.

45-SEVENTH GENERATION-6

2 Matilda (Tillie) Blank*, Atglen, Pa.

Born Mar. 7, 1870

Died Mar. 13, 1936

Married Nov. 28, 1889, to Rufus Stoltzfus,**

son of Bishop Gideon and Susan Mast Stoltzfus

Born Feb. 19, 1865

Died Mar. 3, 1917

Children

1 Carrie S. (46)

Born Dec. 24, 1890

2 Lizzie B.

Born Feb. 6, 1893

Died Feb. 6, 1918

3 Ruth A. (47)

Born Mar. 15, 1895

Died Oct. 11, 1949

4 Elsie Matilda (49)

Born Apr. 6, 1897

5 Joseph Elmer (50)

Born May 19, 1899

Died June 7, 1928

6 Paul B. (55)

Born Nov. 8, 1901

7 Ada (65)

Born Feb. 10, 1904

Died July 16, 1929

8 Ira R.

Born Apr. 28, 1906

Died Apr. 12, 1913

9 Lena G. (68)

Born Nov. 4, 1908

10 Aquilla E. (72)

Born Aug. 11, 1913

* Tillie Blank united with the Mennonite Church in 1886.

** Rufus Stoltzfus united with the Mennonite Church in 1884. Both are buried in the Millwood Cemetery.

46-EIGHTH GENERATION-45

1 Carrie S. Stoltzfus, Bareville, Pa.

Born Dec. 24, 1890

Married Sept. 1, 1935 to Edward H. Shirk

Born Oct. 7, 1869

Died Feb. 20, 1956

47-EIGHTH GENERATION-45

3 Ruth A. Stoltzfus, Atglen, Pa.

Born Mar. 15, 1895

Died Oct. 11, 1949

Married Oct. 11, 1919 to Amos Stoltzfus, son of Amos and Emma Mast Stoltzfus Born May 25, 1891

Children

1 Llewlyn E. (48)

Born Nov. 26, 1921

2 Lois Esther

Born Dec. 17, 1926

48-NINTH GENERATION-45

1 Llewlyn Stoltzfus, Harrington, Delaware, R. 3.

Born Nov. 26, 1921

Married Dec. 31, 1949 to Anna Stoltzfus, daughter of William and Sadie Swartzendruber Stoltzfus

Born Mar. 26, 1925

Children

1 Mervin Wayne

Born July 1, 1951

2 Warren Llewlyn

Born July 28, 1952

3 Nathan Allen

Born July 24, 1954

4 Ruth Ann

Born July 19, 1957

5 Rhoda Marie

Born Sept. 1, 1959

6 Grace

Born July 22, 1962

Died July 22, 1962

49-EIGHTH GENERATION-45

4 Elsie Matilda Stoltzfus, Atglen, Pa.

Born Apr. 6, 1897

Married Sept. 1, 1937 to Michael Kauffman

Born Oct. 30, 1881

Their daughter was

1 Sarah Marie

Born Oct. 4, 1938

50-EIGHTH GENERATION-45

5 Joseph Elmer Stoltzfus Atglen, Pa.

Born May 19, 1899

Died June 7, 1928

Married to Dora Smoker, daughter of Christian
and Mary Byler Smoker

Born May 10, 1901

Children

1 Dorothy Louella (51)

Born Sept. 8, 1921

2 Mary Evanna (52)

Born Feb. 15, 1923

3 Effie Irene (53)

Born Feb. 8, 1925

4 Lena Gertrude (54)

Born Nov. 4, 1927

Elmer was fatally injured in an automobile and
motorcycle accident and died two days later in Gen-
eral Hospital, Lancaster, Pa., age 29 years, 19
days. Buried in Millwood Cemetery.

Dora married second time to Jay Huey.

51-NINTH GENERATION-50

1 Dorothy Louella Stoltzfus, 4701 Old Mill Road,
Alexandria, Virginia

Born Sept. 8, 1921

Married to Harry Bard

Children

1 Michael Douglas

Born Oct. 27, 1946

2 Harry Jr.

Born Apr. 29, 1948

3 Gwen Lee

Born Sept. 11, 1954

52-NINTH GENERATION-50

2 Mary Evanna, Atglen, Pa. Born Feb. 15, 1923

Married to Donald Dayton Born Jan. 31, 1921

Died Oct. 27, 1957

Children

1 Donald Ray Born Oct. 27, 1943

Donald Dayton was fatally injured in an automobile accident and died two hours later in Reading Hospital, age 36 years, 8 months and 27 days.

53-NINTH GENERATION-50

3 Effie Irene, Atglen, Pa. Born Feb. 8, 1925

Married to Fred Dale Born May 12, 1924

Died Apr. 12, 1962

Children

1 William Fred Jr. Born Dec. 1, 1949

2 Donald Craig Born Aug. 6, 1957

Fred died of a heart attack, aged 38 years and 11 months.

54-NINTH GENERATION-50

4 Lena Gertrude Stoltzfus, R. 1, Cochranville, Pa. Born Nov. 4, 1927

Married to Lloyd Windell

Children

1 Denise Ann Born Jan. 4, 1950

2 Randall Baldwin Born Oct. 11, 1952

3 Jeffrey Born Oct. 28, 1954

55-EIGHTH GENERATION-45

6 Paul Stoltzfus, R. 2, Parkesburg, Pa.

Born Nov. 8, 1901

Married to Cora Smoker, daughter of Christian

and Mary Byler Smoker
Children

Born May 10, 1901

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|---|-------------------|---------------------|
| 1 | Norman W. (56) | Born June 2, 1920 |
| 2 | Mary Arlene (59) | Born Jan. 1, 1922 |
| 3 | Paul David (60) | Born May 31, 1924 |
| 4 | Ira Rufus (61) | Born Sept. 24, 1926 |
| 5 | Ethel (62) | Born Dec. 8, 1928 |
| 6 | Earl Raymond (63) | Born Sept. 16, 1930 |
| 7 | Willis Leroy (64) | Born May 3, 1935 |
| 8 | Melvin Aquilla | Born Mar. 1, 1937 |

56-NINTH GENERATION-55

1 Norman W. Stoltzfus, R. 1, Cochranville, Pa.
Born June 2, 1920

Married to Geneva Lantz, daughter of Jonathan and
Florence Shank Lantz

Born Jan. 1, 1921

Children

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|---|-----------------|--------------------|
| 1 | Joyce Ann (57) | Born June 7, 1939 |
| 2 | Kathryn L. (58) | Born June 6, 1941 |
| 3 | Carol Mae | Born Dec. 22, 1943 |
| 4 | Gerald | Born Aug. 26, 1946 |
| 5 | Iris Jean | Born Sept. 3, 1947 |
| 6 | Cheryl Lynn | Born Jan. 4, 1951 |
| 7 | Lisa Ellen | Born July 31, 1953 |
| 8 | Karen Elaine | Born Oct. 30, 1956 |

57-TENTH GENERATION-56

1 Joyce Ann Stoltzfus, Oxford, Pa.

Born June 7, 1939

Married to Roy Jones

Children

- 1 Jimmie (adopted)

58-TENTH GENERATION-56

2 Kathryn L. Stoltzfus, Coatesville, Pa.

Born June 6, 1941

Married to Clayton Cooper

59-NINTH GENERATION-55

2 Mary Arlene Stoltzfus, Milford, Nebraska

Born Jan. 31, 1922

Married to Orvie Troyer, son of Melvin and Mary
Saltzman Troyer

Born Apr. 30, 1919

60-NINTH GENERATION-55

3 Paul David Stoltzfus, Gap, Pa.

Born May 31, 1924

Married to Hattie Trego, daughter of George and
Myrtle Trego

Born Oct. 2, 1925

Children

1 Ronald Earl

Born June 20, 1947

2 George Walter

Born June 15, 1949

3 Paul David

Born June 21, 1950

4 Sharon Marie

Born Feb. 25, 1952

5 Robert Willis

Born July 11, 1954

6 Robin Lee

Born Aug. 29, 1955

61-NINTH GENERATION-55

4 Ira Rufus Stoltzfus, Gap, Pa. Born Sept. 24, 1926

Married to Helen Wilhelm, daughter of Lee and
Lizzie Miller Wilhelm

Born Oct. 3, 1926

Children

1 Dale Melvin

Born Mar. 10, 1948

2 Donna Kay

Born Aug. 13, 1949

3 Deanna Jo

Born July 4, 1955

62-NINTH GENERATION-55

5 Ethel Stoltzfus, Milford, Nebraska

Born Dec. 8, 1928

Married to Willis Yeackley, son of George and
Alice Hershberger Yeackley, Milford, Nebraska

Born Dec. 9, 1922

Children

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|-----------------|--------------------|
| 1 Brenda Lee | Born Mar. 31, 1948 |
| 2 George Willis | Born Feb. 3, 1953 |

63-NINTH GENERATION-55

- 6 Earl Raymond Stoltzfus, R. 1, Parkesburg, Pa.
Born Sept. 16, 1930

Married to Anna Pearce

Children

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|---------------|--------------------|
| 1 Susan Ann | Born July 6, 1956 |
| 2 Donald Earl | Born Dec. 15, 1957 |
| 3 Jeffrey | Born Jan. 14, 1960 |

64-NINTH GENERATION-55

- 7 Willis Leroy Stoltzfus, R. 2, Parkesburg, Pa.
Born May 3, 1935

Married to Violet Buzzard

Children

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|---------------------|--------------------|
| 1 Jeanette Lorraine | Born Dec. 18, 1957 |
| 2 Bonnie Marie | Born Mar. 25, 1959 |

65-EIGHTH GENERATION-45

- 7 Ada Stoltzfus, Gap, Pa. Born Feb. 10, 1904
Died July 16, 1929

Married June 5, 1926 to Isaac B. Reihl, son of
Menno and Mary Bomgardner Reihl

Born May 7, 1902

Children

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|---------------------|--------------------|
| 1 Jean Ellen (66) | Born Dec. 10, 1927 |
| 2 Virginia Mae (67) | Born Dec. 15, 1928 |

66-NINTH GENERATION-65

- 1 Jean Ellen Reihl, Greenwood, Delaware
Born Dec. 10, 1927

Married to Ammon Miller

Children

- | | |
|----------------|--------------------|
| 1 Virgil Lamar | Born Aug. 22, 1954 |
| 2 Allen Bruce | Born Apr. 5, 1957 |
| 3 Peggy Marie | Born July 28, 1959 |

67-NINTH GENERATION-65

2 Virginia Mae Reihl, Greenwood, Delaware

Born Dec. 15, 1928

Married to Paul Bender, son of Nevin and Esther
Lauver Bender

Children

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|----------------|--------------------|
| 1 Paul Lynn | Born Jan. 21, 1953 |
| 2 Anna Renee | Born July 17, 1955 |
| 3 Jean Louise | Born Nov. 20, 1958 |
| 4 Joan Lucille | Born Nov. 20, 1958 |

68-EIGHTH GENERATION-45

9 Lena Gertrude Stoltzfus, Atglen, Pa.

Born Dec. 4, 1908

Married Nov. 6, 1929 to Abner G. Stoltzfus, son
of Isaac and Leah Glick Stoltzfus

Born Jan. 30, 1906

Abner was ordained a minister Nov. 12, 1945 at
Maple Grove Church

Children

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|---------------------|--------------------|
| 1 Virgil DeLee (69) | Born Aug. 24, 1932 |
| 2 Richard Glen (70) | Born Dec. 25, 1936 |
| 3 Marlene Ann (71) | Born Nov. 13, 1941 |
| 4 Jay Ronald | Born Nov. 10, 1945 |
| 5 Janice Fay | Born Jan. 24, 1950 |

69-NINTH GENERATION-68

1 Virgil DeLee Stoltzfus, Morgantown, Pa., Med-
ical doctor

Born Aug. 24, 1932

Married Aug. 20, 1955 to Doris Gross, daughter
of Joseph and Bertha Gross

Born Jan. 9, 1932

Children

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|-----------------|--------------------|
| 1 Beverly Sue | Born May 5, 1958 |
| 2 Audrey Louise | Born July 25, 1959 |
| 3 Douglas Allen | Born Nov. 24, 1962 |

70-NINTH GENERATION-68

- 2 Richard Glen Stoltzfus, Atglen, Pa.
Born Dec. 25, 1936
Married Aug. 11, 1962 to Elaine Hunter, New York City
Born Mar. 9, 1939

71-NINTH GENERATION-68

- 3 Marlene Ann Stoltzfus, Atglen, Pa.
Born Nov. 13, 1941
Married Aug. 15, 1959 to Isaac Eby Hershey, son of Clair and Anna Mary Houch Hershey
Born Mar. 31, 1939

Children

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| 1 Donna Renee | Born Aug. 24, 1960
Died Aug. 27, 1960 |
| 2 Brenda Dawn | Born Nov. 1, 1961 |

72-EIGHTH GENERATION-45

- 9 Aquilla Stoltzfus, Grayson, North Carolina
Born Aug. 11, 1913
Married Jan. 30, 1938 to Elsie Kauffman, daughter of Amos and Susan Lapp Kauffman
Born Oct. 22, 1918
Died Dec. 15, 1941

Children

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|-------------------|--------------------|
| 1 Susanna Matilda | Born May 24, 1940 |
| 2 Vera Ellen | Born Nov. 25, 1941 |
- Aquilla married the second time Nov. 25, 1943 to Mary Yoder, daughter of Jacob and Susan Beiler Yoder
Born Dec. 26, 1912

Children

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|----------------|---------------------|
| 3 Rachel Irene | Born Sept. 25, 1944 |
|----------------|---------------------|

4 Doris Jean	Born Aug. 12, 1945
5 Norma Faye	Born Oct. 4, 1946
	Died Oct. 12, 1946
6 Aquilla Ernest	Born Feb. 6, 1950

They moved to Grayson, North Carolina in 1951.
He was ordained to the ministry in 1954.

72A-NINTH GENERATION-72

2 Vera Ellen Stoltzfus	Born Nov. 25, 1941
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Married June 8, 1963 to Clyde Keener son of Clyde Keener

73-SEVENTH GENERATION-6

4 Joseph H. Blank, Gap, Pa.	Born Jan. 22, 1873
	Died Apr. 14, 1939

Married to Mary Renno, daughter of David and Sarah Wikerd

	Born Jan. 16, 1874
	Died Aug. 8, 1946

Children

1 Sadie R. (74)	Born July 30, 1895
2 Carrie (Caroline) (75)	Born Dec. 17, 1896
3 Viola (81)	Born July 29, 1898
4 Anna Mary (86)	Born Dec. 22, 1902
5 David Lloyd	Born Dec. 28, 1904
	Died Mar. 22, 1905
6 Samuel Earl (87)	Born Oct. 25, 1910
7 Florence (91)	Born Mar. 3, 1912

Joseph H. united with the Mennonite Church in 1891
Mary in 1892. Both are buried in Millwood Cemetery.

74-EIGHTH GENERATION-73

1 Sadie R. Blank, Gap, Pa.	Born July 30, 1895
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Married Feb. 3, 1925 to Levi Mast, son of Daniel Z. and Lizzie Hertzler Mast

	Born May 30, 1885
	Died July 11, 1934

Children

1 Mary E.	Born June 12, 1926
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2 Sadie R.	Died June 12, 1926 Born Sept. 3, 1933 Died Sept. 3, 1933
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75-EIGHTH GENERATION-73

2 Carrie (Caroline) Blank, Gap, Pa.
Born Dec. 17, 1896
Married Dec. 27, 1923 to Nicholas Engel, son of
Nicholas and Mary Shertz Engel
Born Feb. 28, 1898

Children

1 Joseph Edwin (76)	Born Jan. 4, 1925
2 Ruth Edna (77)	Born June 23, 1926
3 Anna Mary (78)	Born Dec. 24, 1928
4 Harold Roy (79)	Born Sept. 6, 1930
5 Martha Grace (80)	Born Mar. 24, 1933

76-NINTH GENERATION-75

1 Joseph Edwin Engel, Route 2, Gap, Pa.
Born Jan. 4, 1925
Married Jan. 8, 1949 to Martha Smoker, daughter
of David L. and Rebecca Beiler Smoker
Born Aug. 6, 1928

Children

1 Dorothy May	Born May 3, 1951
2 Elvin Roy	Born Feb. 1, 1953
3 Shirley Marie	Born Feb. 24, 1956
4 Virgil Glen	Born May 19, 1961

77-NINTH GENERATION-75

2 Ruth Edna Engel, Route 1, Atglen, Pa.
Born June 23, 1926
Married Feb. 5, 1949 to Morris Ressler, son of
Morris and Dorothy Landis Ressler
Born Dec. 14, 1926

Children

- | | |
|------------------|--------------------|
| 1 James Leroy | Born Dec. 9, 1950 |
| 2 Richard Eugene | Born Aug. 17, 1952 |
| 3 Marlin Roy | Born June 3, 1955 |
| 4 Marlene Joy | Born June 3, 1955 |
| 5 Ronald Lamar | Born Dec. 29, 1958 |

78-NINTH GENERATION-75

- 3 Anna Mary Engel, Route 1, Quarryville, Pa.
Born Dec. 24, 1928
Married Mar. 27, 1954 to Donald Waite, son of
David and Florence Waite Born Nov. 28, 1929

79-NINTH GENERATION-75

- 4 Harold Roy Engel, Route 1, Atglen, Pa.
Born Sept. 6, 1930
Married Mar. 26, 1955 to Anna Mae Smoker, daughter of Levi and Sadie Glick Smoker
Born Sept. 17, 1935

Children

- | | |
|----------------|--------------------|
| 1 Gerald Lee | Born Dec. 8, 1956 |
| 2 Carol Jean | Born June 3, 1958 |
| 3 Patricia Ann | Born Dec. 29, 1961 |

80-NINTH GENERATION-75

- 5 Martha Grace Engel, R. 3, Coatesville, Pa.
Born Mar. 24, 1933
Married Mar. 12, 1955 to Henry Umble, son of
Henry and Beulah Stutzman Umble
Born Mar. 25, 1933

81-EIGHTH GENERATION-73

- 3 Viola Blank, Route 1, Parkesburg, Pa.
Born July 29, 1898
Married Jan. 5, 1927 to Elam B. Kauffman, son of
Benjamin K. and Mary Esch Kauffman
Born Jan. 23, 1899

Children

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| 1 Joseph H. (82) | Born Mar. 27, 1929 |
| 2 Mary J. | Born July 1, 1931 |
| 3 David (83) | Born Feb. 11, 1934 |
| 4 Milo | Born July 15, 1935 |
| 5 Louis Andrew (84) | Born Mar. 15, 1938 |
| 5 Vernon (85) | Born Aug. 25, 1939 |

81A-NINTH GENERATION-81

- 2 Mary Jane Kauffman, Parkesburg, Pa.
Born July 1, 1931
Married Warren C. Shoop, son of Charles and
Jean Shoop.

82-NINTH GENERATION-81

- 1 Joseph H. Kauffman, 2608 W. Windrose,
Phoenix 23, Arizona Born Mar. 27, 1929
Married May 7, 1960 to Coela Ellen Von Ehren-
krock, daughter of Karl F. and Miriam R.
Ehrenkrock Born May 21, 1937

Children

- | | |
|------------|-------------------|
| 1 Carl Joe | Born June 5, 1961 |
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83-NINTH GENERATION-81

- 3 David Kauffman, Route 1, Parkesburg, Pa.
Born Feb. 11, 1934
Married Margaret Foster, daughter of Ernest and
Helen Foster Born Aug. 1, 1934

Children

- | | |
|-----------------|--------------------|
| 1 Elizabeth Ann | Born Nov. 29, 1954 |
| 2 David Elam | Born Dec. 13, 1955 |
| 3 James Ernest | Born Dec. 20, 1956 |
| 4 Lesa Marie | Born May 17, 1963 |

84-NINTH GENERATION-81

- 5 Louis Andrew Kauffman, Route 1, Parkesburg,
Pa. Born Mar. 15, 1938

Married to Dawn Vertagen Born Aug. 19, 1938
Children

- | | |
|-------------------|--------------------|
| 1 Louis Andrew | Born Dec. 9, 1956 |
| 2 Donald | Born Jan. 21, 1958 |
| 3 Michael Stephen | Born Apr. 8, 1960 |
| 4 Sheree Renee | Born Nov. 15, 1962 |

85-NINTH GENERATION-81

6 Vernon Kauffman, Route 1, Parkesburg, Pa.
Born Aug. 25, 1939

Married to Faye Landis, daughter of Christian and
Ruth Landis

Children

- | | |
|------------------|--------------------|
| 1 Vernon Stephen | Born July 5, 1961 |
| 2 Janice Kay | Born Dec. 30, 1962 |
| 3 Jeanette Fay | Born Dec. 30, 1962 |

86-EIGHTH GENERATION-73

4 Anna Mary Blank, Route 1, Kinzer, Pa.
Born Dec. 22, 1902

Married Jan. 1, 1925 to Otto J. Miller, son of
Samuel P. and Katie Raber Miller

Born Apr. 19, 1901

87-EIGHTH GENERATION-73

6 S. Earl Blank, Christiana, Pa.
Born Oct. 25, 1909

Married Nov. 19, 1930 to Florence Kauffman,
daughter of Daniel S. and Lizzie Fisher Kauffman

Born Sept. 3, 1910

Children

- | | |
|-------------------|--------------------|
| 1 Mary Edith (88) | Born Mar. 4, 1932 |
| 2 Ruth Orpha (89) | Born Oct. 14, 1933 |
| 3 Wilmer K. (90) | Born Apr. 7, 1936 |
| 4 Melvin R. | Born Apr. 3, 1939 |
| 5 Joseph H. | Born Apr. 18, 1943 |
| 6 Galen O. | Born May 16, 1945 |

7 Earl Jr

Born July 19, 1947

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88-NINTH GENERATION-87

1 Mary Edith Blank, R. 1, Nottingham, Pa.

Born Mar. 4, 1932

Married Feb. 27, 1955 to Elvin P. Graybill, son
of Roy and Mary Ferster Graybill Born Dec. 17, 1933

Children

1 Rachel Eileen

Born June 27, 1956

2 Lois Jean

Born Oct. 7, 1957

3 Jay Elvin

Born Dec. 24, 1958

4 Carolyn Ruth

Born July 2, 1961

5 Marianne

Born July 6, 1962

89-NINTH GENERATION-87

2 Ruth Orpha Blank, Christiana, Pa.

Born Oct. 14, 1933

Married Mar. 21, 1954 to David Wadel, son of
Harry and Emma Wadel Born July 29, 1933

Children

1 David Marlin

Born May 17, 1957

2 Paul Eugene

Born Apr. 7, 1959

3 Stephen Clair

Born Oct. 5, 1962

90-NINTH GENERATION-87

3 Wilmer K. Blank, R. 1, Parkesburg, Pa.

Born Apr. 7, 1936

Married Nov. 27, 1956 to Dorothy Riehl, daughter
of Isaac and Cora Riehl Born Apr. 7, 1939

Children

1 Roger Lee

Born Dec. 7, 1957

2 Debbie Lu Ree

Born Mar. 21, 1959

3 Bonita Jo

Born Dec. 2, 1961

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87A-NINTH GENERATION-87

Joseph H. Blank Born Apr. 18, 1943
Married June 15, 1963 to Grace M. Minnich, daughter of J. Forrey and Edna Shank Minnich

91-EIGHTH GENERATION-73

7 Florence Blank, Witmer, Pa.

Born Mar. 3, 1912
Married June 4, 1932 to Benjamin M. Lapp, son of David and Anna Mary Lapp Born Sept. 9, 1906
Children

1 Joseph Lester ((92)	Born May 28, 1933
2 Earl Blank (93)	Born June 3, 1936
3 David Elmer	Born July 29, 1943
4 Anna Mary	Born Mar. 4, 1946

92-NINTH GENERATION-91

1 Joseph Lester Lapp, Manheim, Pa.

Born May 28, 1933
Married Sept. 1, 1956 to Lorraine Grube, daughter of Isaac and Lillian Grube Born Dec. 20, 1937
Children

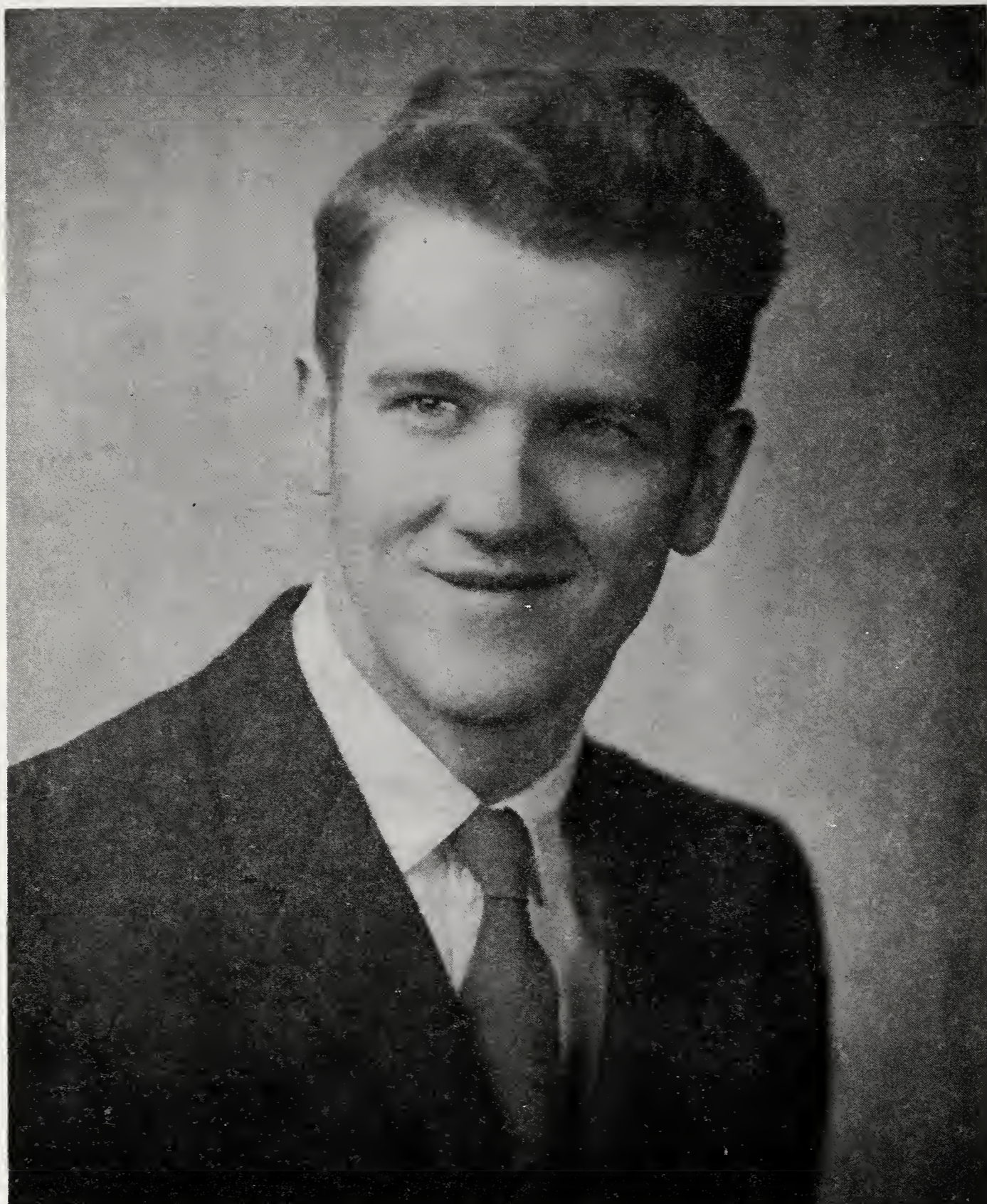
1 Joan Louise	Born Feb. 28, 1958
2 Janice Lorraine	Born Jan. 17, 1961
3 Juanita Lynn	Born Mar. 19, 1963

93-NINTH GENERATION-91

2 Earl Blank Lapp, Route 3, Lititz, Pa.

Born June 3, 1936
Died Aug. 3, 1962
Married June 9, 1957 to Laura Martin, daughter of Christian and Grace Martin Born Apr. 4, 1936
Children

1 Cynthia Louise	Born Apr. 28, 1958
2 David Nelson	Born Apr. 22, 1962



Earl B. Lapp
Born June 3, 1936
Died Aug. 3, 1962

Earl was fatally injured in a tractor trailer accident and died six hours later in Bedford Memorial Hospital, Bedford, Pa., age 26 years, 2 months. His body was laid to rest in the Mennonite Cemetery at Landis Valley, Pa.

94-SEVENTH GENERATION-6

5 Elizabeth (Betsy) Blank, Christiana, Pa.

Born July 31, 1874

Died Jan. 22, 1933

Married Jan. 24, 1901 to Amos Stoltzfus, son of Daniel and Rebecca Stoltzfus Stoltzfus

Born Feb. 28, 1874

Died Mar. 10, 1956

Children

1 Joseph B. (95)

Born June 6, 1904

2 Olive (96)

Born June 6, 1905

Died Oct. 11, 1951

3 Amos Jr. (102)

Born Sept. 7, 1907

4 George B. (107)

Born Mar. 27, 1909

Died July 10, 1954

5 Ruth (108)

Born May 6, 1910

Amos and Betsy lived at Malvern, Pa., from 1904 to 1909. Betsy united with the Mennonite Church in 1894, and Amos in 1897. Both are buried in Millwood Cemetery.

95-EIGHTH GENERATION-94

1 Joseph B. Stoltzfus, Sadsburyville, Pa.

Born June 6, 1904

Died Jan. 6, 1952

Married Feb. 24, 1934 to Grace Anna Hertzler,
daughter of John M. and Lena Swartzendruber
Hertzler

Born Feb. 29, 1908

Died May 5, 1952

Children

1 Vida Jean

Born Jan. 7, 1936

Died Jan. 8, 1952

2 Joseph Mark

Born May 22, 1942

Died Jan. 6, 1952

3 Lena Mae

Born May 19, 1946

Joseph B., Joseph Jr., age 9, and Vida Jean, age 16, died as the result of their car being struck by two racing cars while on the way to church on Sunday evening, on the Lincoln Highway (Route 30). It happened at Sadsburyville, about 5 miles east of Gap.

Joseph B. and Joseph Jr. lived about an hour after the accident. Vida Jean lived until early Tuesday morning. Three caskets in a row at this viewing and funeral. Grace was seriously injured and died four months later. Lena May, age 6, is the only one who survived.

The community was shocked as this family was very well thought of. Another happy home was broke up as the result of racing cars.



1948
Joseph B. Stoltzfus Family

TRAGEDY and TRIUMPH

The Joseph B. Stoltzfus family, husband aged 48, his wife Grace, 44, a sixteen-year-old-daughter, Vida Jean, nine-year-old Joseph Jr., and six-year-old Lena May, had a happy, peaceful family life. Husband and wife loved each other, and the children were well behaved and obedient. The Stoltzfus family were a consecrated family. For twenty years Bro. Joseph served as teacher or Sunday school superintendent and helped support the work at the Coatesville Mission in various ways. Their home was a home of hospitality. In it the mission workers or visitors at the mission found a waiting welcome and shared a place at the family table. There, too, the dirty, neglected street child found a shelter and was cared for like one of their own.

Vida Jean, the oldest daughter, was a sweet, pleasant girl. She was more sensible and thoughtful than the average sixteen-year-old girl. Her last Sunday afternoon was spent in helping to distribute "The Way" in the city of Coatesville. Vida Jean did not need to go home that fatal Sunday evening. She had another way offered to the services that night. But she chose to go home and go along with her family to church.

Joseph, Jr., or "Little Joey" as he was fondly called, was very devoted to his father. He followed him to the field to help farm; he was close to Daddy's heels while the cows were being milked, and he and his father were just an hour apart in death.

Not only the street boy and mission convert were sheltered in this Christian home, but during the winter Bible schools in the church district, students from a distance were regularly given free boarding, and on this tragic evening two Bible school students from Maryland were also in the family car enroute to the mission.

It was a beautiful Sunday evening, January 6, 1952, when the Stoltzfus car started on its customary three-mile drive to the Sunday evening service at the Coatesville Mennonite Mission. They reached the stop sign at the Lincoln Highway, and their car stopped and waited. The road was clear, and the car pulled out on the highway, but the next instant two speeding cars, racing side by side, clocked by a policeman giving chase at 80 miles an hour at the time of the impact, came over the little knoll and one of them hit the Stoltzfus car broadside. Brakes screamed, cars swerved and upset, blood and gasoline flowed freely over the highway.

A few minutes later Pastor Brown from the near-by Upper Octoraro Presbyterian Church came driving up the highway on his way to conduct the evening service at the Sadsburyville Presbyterian Chapel. Hastily drawing to the side of the road, he came to the assistance of the injured. Pastor Brown was acquainted with the Stoltzfus family. Bro. Joseph, unconscious, was taken to the Coatesville Hospital, where he died two hours later without regaining consciousness. Tenderly, Pastor Brown held little Joey, Jr., also unconscious, in his arms while someone untied the little shoe to release his foot from the wreckage. An hour later Joey's life had ebbed away.

After all were in the care of the hospital, Pastor Brown sadly resumed his drive to the Presbyterian Church. His audience was waiting, wondering, as a blood-spattered pastor rose up before them. In a few tense words, choking with emotion, Pastor Brown related to them the scene he had just witnessed, offered a prayer for his congregation, and dismissed them.

A saddened, quiet group of worshipers were filing from the afternoon session of the quarterly meeting at the Coatesville Mission. Bro. Joseph Stoltzfus' name was on that program. On his desk at home lay the unfinished plan for the children's meeting he was to conduct that day. A car came to a sudden stop directly in front of the mission and Pastor Brown stepped out. He spoke briefly with the mission superintendent, and then with an air of solemn expectation the people resumed their seats.

"I have a message which I feel I must share with other Christians, especially with a Mennonite group," said Pastor Brown; "so I have come to tell you of the conversion of seventeen souls as a result of the tragic accident which has robbed you of some of your faithful workers and dear ones here." And he added, "The nonresistant attitude of the family and church toward the erring boys who have caused all this sorrow has made a deep impression on not only seventeen souls but on the community as a whole. Instead of bitter or accusing words, prayers of concern were being offered for the souls of the racers, and the world round about took knowledge that this was the Spirit of Jesus and His Gospel, while the family and church humbly acknowledged the hand of God moving among them and reverently submitted to His will."

Four months passed by, months of much physical suffering to Sister Grace who was unable to attend the triple funeral service of her husband, son, and eldest daughter because of the injuries which hospitalized her for four weeks after the accident. During these painracked days many were the testimonies of the hospital staff to the quiet, submissive Christian attitude she maintained at all times, with never a harsh word for those who in one moment of time had bereft her of husband, son, daughter, home, and health.

For four months Sister Grace could speak to little six-year-old Lena May, the only survivor of the family, as only a mother could speak at such a time of sorrow—four months in which the mother could choose from the old home such articles as Lena May could keep to remember the home and family so suddenly taken away from her, and then their home was sold. The two lone survivors went to stay with Lena May's maternal grandparents, Bro. and Sister John Hertzler. Here Sister Grace had time to help her little daughter to get adjusted to her new home and the school in this new community.

May 3, 1952, Sister Grace attended the dedication services of the new Newlinville Church (an outpost of the Coatesville Mission) and became ill during the afternoon program. She was taken to the home of her sister, Mrs. Samuel Umble, about five miles away, and two days later Sister Grace went to join her much loved family in their heavenly home.

Edith Kennel Graybill

96-EIGHTH GENERATION-94

2 Olive Caroline Stoltzfus, Cochranville, Pa.

Born June 6, 1905

Died Oct. 11, 1951

Married Jan. 26, 1928 to John H. Ennis, son of
Thomas and Mary Ennis

Born Jan. 22, 1906

Children

1 Mary Elizabeth (97)

Born Oct. 16, 1929

2 Ruth Pearl (98)

Born Apr. 24, 1931

3 John Thomas (99)

Born Aug. 19, 1932

4 Sarah Grace (100)

Born May 27, 1934

5 Henry Columbus (101)

Born May 29, 1937

John married the second time to Elizabeth King

97-NINTH GENERATION-96

1 Mary E. Ennis, Cochranville, Pa.

Born Oct. 16, 1929

Married to John Paul Stoltzfus, son of Elam and
Rachel Yost Stoltzfus

Born Oct. 26, 1928

Children

1 John Paul Jr.

Born Apr. 10, 1948

2 Gerald Allen

Born Apr. 26, 1949

3 Joyce Elaine

Born July 17, 1950

4 Darlene Marie

Born Dec. 3, 1951

5 Donna Lynn

Born July 8, 1956

98-NINTH GENERATION-96

2 Ruth Pearl Ennis, Millsboro, Delaware, R. 3

Born Apr. 24, 1931

Married to Charles Nathan Jones

Born Jan. 25, 1930

Children

1 Linda Jean

Born Jan. 6, 1952

2 Allen Thomas

Born July 23, 1954

3 Carol Ann	Born Oct. 8, 1955 Died January, 1958
4 Michael	Born Dec. 4, 1959

99-NINTH GENERATION-96

3 John Thomas Ennis, R. 1, Cochranville, Pa.
 Born Aug. 19, 1932
 Married to Betty Lorraine Campbell
 Born Oct. 16, 1933

Children

1 Sharon Marie	Born Oct. 18, 1956
2 John Thomas Jr.	Born Jan. 22, 1960

100-NINTH GENERATION-96

4 Sarah Grace Ennis, R. 1, Nottingham, Pa.
 Born May 27, 1934
 Married to Benjamin S. Criswell
 Born May 13, 1928

Children

1 Benjamin Stewart Jr.	Born Oct. 1, 1950
2 Allen Dean	Born Aug. 2, 1951
3 Ronald Wayne	Born Jan. 9, 1960

101-NINTH GENERATION-96

5 Henry Columbus Ennis, Cochranville, Pa.
 Born May 29, 1937
 Married to Anna Mary King Born July 19, 1935

102-EIGHTH GENERATION-94

3 Amos Stoltzfus Jr., R. 2, Parkesburg, Pa.
 Born Sept. 1, 1907
 Married to Annie Smoker, daughter of David and
 Ada Stoltzfus Smoker

Children

1 George Joseph	Born May 23, 1931
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	Died Nov. 25, 1931
2 Ada Elizabeth (103)	Born Aug. 30, 1932
3 Kermeda May (104)	Born Feb. 22, 1934
4 Kermit Amos (105)	Born May 2, 1937
5 Carol Linda (106)	Born Mar. 7, 1941
6 Sanford Milton	Born Mar. 31, 1946
7 Herbert Eugene	Born Mar. 24, 1950

103-NINTH GENERATION-102

2 Ada Elizabeth Stoltzfus, R. 2, Parkesburg, Pa.
 Born Aug. 30, 1932
 Married to Robert Boyd
 Born Apr. 25, 1928
 Died Mar. 8, 1958

Children

1 Christine	Born Sept. 3, 1952
2 Robert Jr.	Born Apr. 2, 1957
3 Robin Cheryl	Born Apr. 22, 1958

Robert was fatally hurt by a falling tree and died eighteen hours later in Coatesville, Pa., Hospital age 29 years, 11 months, 13 days. Buried in Millwood Cemetery.

104-NINTH GENERATION-102

3 Kermeda May Stoltzfus, R. 2, Parkesburg, Pa.
 Born Feb. 22, 1934

Married to Joseph Clevensine

Children

1 Jerl	Born Jan. 1, 1954
2 Jean	Born Jan. 1955
3 Joseph Shaffer	Born Nov. 1956

105-NINTH GENERATION-102

4 Kermit Amos Stoltzfus, R. 2, Parkesburg, Pa.
 Born May 2, 1937

Married to Betty Cox, daughter of Joseph and Ruth Bernard Cox

Children

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|----------------|--|
| 1 David | Born May 12, 1957
Died May 28, 1957 |
| 2 Sue Ellen | Born June 23, 1958 |
| 3 Joseph Dale | Born Mar. 4, 1960 |
| 4 Stephan Mark | Born Dec. 11, 1961 |

106-NINTH GENERATION-102

- 5 Carol Linda Stoltzfus, R. 1, Ronks, Pa.
Born Mar. 7, 1941
Married Aug. 27, 1960 to Mervin B. King

Children

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|----------------|--------------------|
| 1 Donna Rennea | Born July 24, 1962 |
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107-EIGHTH GENERATION-94

- 4 George B. Stoltzfus, Coatesville, Pa.
Born Mar. 27, 1909
Died very suddenly of heart trouble
Died July 14, 1954
Married Nov. 26, 1931 to Miriam Hertzler, daughter of Joseph and Lizzie Warfel Hertzler
Born Oct. 28, 1910
George was ordained minister at Coatesville, Pa., May 24, 1947

Children

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|---------------------|--------------------|
| 1 Mildred Elizabeth | Born May 2, 1933 |
| 2 Laura Ellen | Born Apr. 10, 1937 |
| 3 Anna Miriam | Born July 16, 1941 |
| 4 Esther Loretta | Born Oct. 10, 1943 |
| 5 George Byron | Born Dec. 31, 1944 |
| 6 Clyde Marlin | Born Aug. 1, 1946 |
| 7 Grace Eileen | Born Jan. 12, 1953 |

109-EIGHTH GENERATION-94

- 5 Ruth Stoltzfus, R. 1, Parkesburg, Pa.
Born May 6, 1910

Married Jan. 1, 1930 to Elmer J. Kauffman, son
of Benjamin K. and Mary Esch Kauffman
Born Jan. 22, 1906

Children

- | | |
|--------------------|--------------------|
| 1 Elwood (110) | Born Dec. 1, 1931 |
| 2 Clarence (111) | Born Mar. 5, 1935 |
| 3 Doris Ann (112) | Born Apr. 24, 1939 |
| 4 Judith Priscilla | Born Oct. 2, 1943 |

110-NINTH GENERATION-109

- 1 Elwood Kauffman, R. 1, Parkesburg, Pa.
Born Dec. 1, 1931

Married to Barbara Woodwards

Children

- | | |
|------------------|-------------------|
| 1 Carolyn Louise | Born Feb. 2, 1958 |
| 2 Kenneth Elwood | Born Feb. 9, 1962 |

111-NINTH GENERATION-109

- 2 Clarence Kauffman, R. 1, Parkesburg, Pa.
Born Mar. 5, 1935

Married on Aug. 11, 1962 to Edith Lilley

Cindy Lee Born June 20, 1963

112-NINTH GENERATION-109

- 3 Doris Ann Kauffman, West Grove, Pa.
Born Apr. 24, 1939

Married June 2, 1959 to Douglas Prange

Children

- | | |
|-------------------|---------------------|
| 1 Brenda Jane | Born Sept. 24, 1960 |
| 2 Stephen Douglas | Born Jan. 15, 1962 |

113-SEVENTH GENERATION-6

- 8 Samuel H. Blank,* Gap, Pa. Born Dec. 22, 1879
Died Sept. 28, 1935

Married Dec. 10, 1907 to Nancy K. Byler, daughter
of Rudolph and Lydia Kenagy Byler

Born Apr. 21, 1878
Died June 7, 1947

Children

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|----------------------|---|
| 1 Joseph R. (114) | Born Jan. 12, 1909 |
| 2 J. Sylvester (116) | Born May 30, 1913 |
| 3 Naomi Viola | Born Mar. 13, 1918
Died Sept. 15, 1918 |

* Samuel was fatally hurt by a falling tree and died four days later in the General Hospital, Lancaster, Pa. Samuel united with the Mennonite Church in 1897. Nancy united with the Mennonite Church in Mifflin County in 1896. Both are buried in Millwood Cemetery.

114-EIGHTH GENERATION-113

- 1 Joseph R. Blank, 1222 Ashbridge Road, West Chester, Pa. Born Jan. 12, 1909
Married Apr. 3, 1941 to Louella Cairns, daughter of Louis Cairns Born Apr. 21, 1914

Children

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|---------------------|--------------------|
| 1 Carol Lynne (115) | Born July 29, 1943 |
| 2 Joseph R. Jr. | Born Aug. 23, 1946 |

115-NINTH GENERATION-114

- 1 Carol Lynne Blank, 1222 Ashbridge Road, West Chester, Pa. Born July 29, 1943
Married Aug. 5, 1961 to Kenneth Mitchell

Children

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|---------------|--------------------|
| 1 Kenneth Jr. | Born July 14, 1962 |
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116-EIGHTH GENERATION-113

- 2 J. Sylvester Blank, Cochranville, Pa. Born May 30, 1913
Married Feb. 10, 1938 to Roberta Fisher, daughter of Christian and Minnie Stoltzfus Fisher
Born Feb. 3, 1920

Children

1	Irvin Dale (117)	Born Mar. 6, 1940
2	Harold Norman	Born Feb. 7, 1942
3	Calvin Roy	Born Oct. 1, 1944
4	Doris Elaine	Born Jan. 12, 1947
5	James Mark	Born Aug. 26, 1949
6	Thelma Romaine	Born Jan. 26, 1953
7	Brenda Kay	Born June 27, 1954

117-NINTH GENERATION-116

1 Irvin Dale Blank, Cochranville, Pa.

Born Mar. 6, 1940

Married June 14, 1961 to Ruth Ann Heller

Jacob Hertzler

Jacob Hertzler, the Pioneer was born of Swiss parents in the year 1703, in Switzerland. In early life he accepted the Lord as his Saviour. He was later called as a minister of the gospel, then a Bishop.

Living as subjects of a most cruel and wicked king, many people were sorely tried for their religious beliefs. He emigrated to the Palatinate of France, selecting a place where there were many meadows suitable for dairying, and pure spring water for household purposes. He was married and had one son, John. His wife died and is buried in Europe. He afterward married Catherine Ruegy. They had two sons and one daughter.

Persecution again overtook them, and he with others started to make plans to leave the country they loved. The picturesque mountains of Switzerland and the beautiful valley of the Rhine were left behind for a wilderness beyond the sea, which was to be their future home.

The day of their departure came and they were at the dock early eagerly awaiting the ship St. Andrew which was to bring them to America,

thus escaping the clutches of this most wicked king. History tells us the blood of the righteous flowed down the streets of the cities daily. While they lost much, they did not lose the plain, simple teachings of the Bible that their parents had so faithfully implanted within them in earlier years. As we read of the experiences some of our forefathers endured for the sake of the gospel, it should bring us to a deeper appreciation of what God through our rulers has permitted us to enjoy.

After the needed preparations for sailing were made, the ship slowly started leaving the shores of France for a long, long voyage across the ocean. Many days and nights were spent on some of these ships as they sailed for America, the land of religious freedom. This was their main goal.

There are some gruesome things recorded that took place on these ships. Food became scarce, so rats, mice and water became their daily menu. We needn't wonder there was much sickness on board. Many were thrown overboard and found a watery grave where they now await the coming of our Lord.

The ship St. Andrew arrived in Philadelphia, the City of Brotherly Love, Sept. 9, 1749. Many of the people were so under nourished they could scarcely walk. Their clothing were all tattered and torn, not much better than rags. But with renewed courage they travelled west and north until they came to a valley which could be purchased from Richard and William Penn, sons of Wm. Penn. A grant of 182 acres was selected for which they paid \$1.25 an acre, naming it "Contentment." Large trees and heavy underbrush indicated good rich soil.

(There were very large trees growing in Pennsylvania in the early days, many growing to four or five feet in diameter.) — Fisher History

Life was beginning to look a bit more cheerful as these poor folks found the Penns had much love and

respect for the Amish refugees, donating to them twenty acres of land for a church, a school, and a burying ground. Although the land was free, they were not too much concerned about having an education, more than to read the Bible, and this was done at home, and to till the soil and provide for their own. Some counted schools a luxury. They could and did do much at home.

The character of these sturdy pioneers was well suited to their surroundings. Their rugged constitution fitted them for a life of poverty and hardships all pioneers must endure.

Their non-resistant faith, inclination to not meddle in affairs of others, saved them many difficulties. They however did not escape the Indians torch and tomahawk. Their simple way of living fitted them for a life where poverty was the rule, and riches the exception, a trait still true of many of the Hertzler descendants.

When the Revolutionary War broke out, these people were severely tried. Many of the able bodied men were drafted into service. Refusing to serve, they were cast into prison, in the city of Reading, Pa. Many of the women were compelled to work in the fields to support their families. This proved to be quite a hardship for them.

*These brethren who were in prison were sentenced to be shot and the day set for the execution. A meeting was held in the prison, and they were given the privilege of partaking of the Lord's supper. The execution was never carried out.

Through the leading of a kind Providence, a friend by the name of Henry Hertzell, a pastor of the Reformed Church appealed to the authorities in behalf of these people, who had fled from Europe to escape military service. They could not be expected to do now the very thing their conscience forbade them to do in Europe. The appeal was heard and the prisoners set free. Among them were names such as

these: Hertzlers, John and Stephen Kauffman, Zugs, and Jacob Mast. During these trials it made them cling more closely to the Rock Christ Jesus.

*Some folks want to say the above account is only tradition, that it has been handed down from one generation to another, but in the year 1959, the writer with a group of others visited the Hertzler homestead, and the man now living there is a great, great, grandson of this minister, Henry Hertzell, and he verified this as a true fact.

Now settlements were opened up in the community and they were steadfast in their services for God. A hard working people, and God blessed their efforts.

During the years Jacob was able to purchase tracts of land, until they had over 400 acres, all wilderness land which he improved. The infirmities of age crept upon them, and he suggested the dividing of their land, which was done on Aug. 30, 1786. Christian received 160 acres of the home farm, the others received adjoining ground.

It seemed they had a premonition of what was in the future as Catherine answered the Heavenly summons sometime between then and the following March. Jacob died in 1786. Their bodies are resting in the small burial plot on the home farm.

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It is thought Jacob Hertzler was the only Bishop to cross the mighty waters and take up the same duties in America. He organized three church districts in Berks Co. Northkill, Maiden Creek, and Tulpehocken, and one near Malvern. It is said when he was eighty years old he walked sixty miles through the forest in two days to visit friends at Malvern in preference to horse back riding.

Of our ancestor it could be said,
He heard God's voice and came,
Brought all he loved across the sea

To live and work for God and me.
Felled the ungracious oak with hard toil
Dragged from the soil
The thrice gnarled roots and stubborn
rocks
With plenty filled the mountain side
And when his work was done, without
memorial died.

Unknown

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The winter had passed rapidly, early spring was at hand. Mother and daughter in the Hertzler home had been busily engaged in the making of bedding, clothing, linens, and the many, many other things needed by someone planning marriage. Their clothing needed to be hand made in those early days. No doubt there were many pleasant thoughts interwoven in those linens, as they were being prepared for future use, what tales there might have been told, could those spinning wheels only have spoken.

In April 1837, Caroline Hertzler (fourth generation from pioneer Jacob), Hertzler from Mifflin County, and Christian Hertzler from Morgantown, Pa. Berks County, were married. They soon moved to Juniata County near Spruce Hill. Here they were planning a happy married life. They no doubt had many and varied experiences in their newly wedded life, living in a strange community.

The next year they received a gift from Heaven, when God sent a baby girl to live in their home, and which they named Nancy. This brought added responsibilities as well as great opportunities. The summer passed rapidly. Winter came and went. Another summer with its many duties passed. Bins and shelves were filled to capacity. They were nearing the Christmas season, when on Dec. 22, 1839 another jewel was given them. This one they named Caroline. Nancy was now twenty months old.

They now had two little girls to live and plan for, but this did not materialize as the mother was called to her eternal rest the same day Caroline was born. No doubt the future looked very dark to this young father being left with two little girls and no mother to love and care for them, he himself being miles from his paternal home.

Now who shall take this sad message to the mother's home in Mifflin County. But we find God is always on time and provides a man by the name of Christ Yoder. Due to a heavy snowfall of four days burial is delayed, but after seven sad days, the body was laid to rest in a field on the home farm and was later called the Hertzler Burying Ground, near Port Royal.

We must now go back and record a few things that took place in the mother's home in Mifflin County.

With the snow still falling and the wind blowing the carefree children are thinking of the pleasant times ahead once the weather permits, while father and mother are much concerned about their daughter's home in Juniata County, as they discuss their dreams of the previous night. Strange indeed they should both have had the same dream. Anxiously they keep watching, and with evening approaching the mother again goes to the window and sees a rider in the distance. Here comes somebody now but who can it be? The father said, "Surely no one with good tidings. It rides like Christ Yoder but that's not his horse." As the rider came closer, they saw it was Christ Yoder, just as they had seen him in their dreams.

Father opened the door, and Christ said, "I have a sad message for you." Mother said, "We know what it is, Caroline is dead." Being much surprised Christ said, "Yes, but how did you know? I have been wondering and praying how to deliver this sad message." Mother answered, "We knew

you would come, you had to come, the day of revealing by dreams is not yet past. We knew, too, you would come on a white horse, but you do not have a white horse of your own." "No," he said, "I started on my horse, but the snow is so deep I had to change with a man by the way."

After this strenuous journey for both horse and rider, they were gladly put up for the night. After a good night rest, Christ is anxious to be on his way homeward, leaving father and mother to share their sorrow together.

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Christian and Nancy (Zug) Hertzler, Morgantown, Pa. were the parents of ten sons, one of them dying in infancy. One day as Nancy was busily engaged in her many household duties, Christ entered the house and said, "I think we'll go out and bring little Caroline in, and we'll raise her our own little girl." With a smile, plus a look of concern, Nancy said, "Here we raised ten sons, and not one girl, and out in Juniata is a little girl without a mother." So saying, they immediately made plans to go for her, they often wished for just one girl.

We think there would have been many plans needed to be made, as they couldn't stop at a cabin in those days. There are many questions enter our minds at this time, as these grandparents undertake such a journey in mid winter. Where would they have slept? How would they have cared for their horses? And how would they have cared for this little one by the way?

After asking God's protecting care, they were on their way through deep snow. Christian was 68 and Nancy was 58 when they made this trip. They had much time to meditate as they traveled, but in due timethey reached the Hertzler home in Juniata county. After a few days of rest and fellowship, they started on their homeward journey with little Caroline tucked snugly in a basket. Nancy the older sister stayed in Mifflin County. After goodbyes, and God bless you and keep you safely, I shall be praying that nothing befalls you by the way — these grandparents with their precious cargo were on their way home.

Mile after mile was covered in silence as they rode along the mountain trail. It is a beautiful valley in summer in which to behold the handiwork of God; but now it was bleak and cold, covered with a deep blanket of snow. The milk was diminishing alarmingly fast when Nancy said, "Where can we get more milk?" We'll need it soon. " I wonder what you or I would have done under similar circumstances? Didn't God say, "Call upon me in time of trouble?" And, "God shall supply all your need. " After asking God to supply this need, (I suppose if they ever prayed earnestly, they did now) they travelled on. They soon came to a wooded spot by the way where they found a cow fast in the underbrush. Christ said, "This is nothing else than an answer to our prayer, for why should this cow be out here when there is so much snow on the ground?" Christ milked the cow, released her, and she immediately turned around and walked back into the woods. This called for a prayer of thanks. The remainder of the journey was made in safety.





Little Caroline found a warm welcome in the home of her grandparents near Morgantown, Pa. Here she grew to young womanhood. Not everything was pleasant for her in later years. She became the target of much ridicule. This however not pleasant to endure, may have been a contributing factor for her sympathetic nature with others in her later years. Many benefited from her generosity.

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March 12, 1868, Caroline Hertzler, (fifth generation descendant of the pioneer Jacob Hertzler) became the bride of Joseph E. Blank. They took up their residence on the Blank homestead, near Spring Garden, Pa., they being the fourth generation of Blank's to live there.

Here they embarked upon the matrimonial sea, sharing the joys and sorrows of life, so common to all. Most of their married life was spent in the vicinity of Gap and Compass. There were eight children born to this union, three dying in infancy, Lucinda, Victoria and Amanda.

Anna married Emanuel Mast

F. Matilda married Rufus Stoltzfus

Joseph H. married Mary Renno

Elizabeth married Amos Stoltzfus

Samuel married Nancy Byler

On a cold wintry day in Feb. 1894, the death angel again visited the home, calling the father to his eternal reward at the age of 57. Now the mother needs to face life alone with the remainder of her family. Anna and Matilda had already left the home nest.

Grandmother, or known as Kaarline, had a happy, jovial disposition. How happy we were when she would come to our house for a visit. There were many happy hours with Grandma when she spent nearly three years in our home. She was often called upon at times of birth, as well as times

of death. Our father used to say she was always ready and willing to go day or night.

She had a great concern for her family but was not privileged to know that three of her grandsons were later called as ministers of the gospel. One admonition she gave her children was, "Prepare for death for die you must, and with me slumber in the dust." A few of her sayings were: "When one door closes another opens; Look to the Lord, He will always help you; Make yourself **useful** You will have more friends."

She had a stroke about a month before she died at the age of 68 after a life of service for her Master and others. As life was ebbing away, those sitting by her bedside heard her pray, "My God, I plead through Jesus' blood, receive my soul when life is over." A prayer it would be well for us all to pray.

Gideon Stoltzfus said at her funeral, "Truly a wonderful woman, always a friend to anyone in need." Her body is resting in the Spring Garden Cemetery beside those of her husband and children. May we like Ruth of old be willing to follow in her footsteps.

The Spirit Of The House

It isn't the chairs and the books and the things,
Or the pictures that hang on the walls;
And it isn't the bird, although gaily he sings,
It's the laughter that rings in halls.
It's the smile on that face of the mother at night,
And the joy in the little one's eyes,
And our love for each other with all it's delight
That make up the home that we prize.
The house is just mortar and stone in itself,
And the fireplace like all of its kind,
There isn't a window or door or shelf,
But many just like it you'll find.

But the home is endowed with a spirit that's rich,
 And the commonest look is aglow
 With the love and devotion and tenderness which
 Make sacred the home that we know.
 There are many who costlier furnishing own,
 And many with treasures we miss,
 But nowhere for us is such happiness known,
 There dwell our contentment and bliss,
 And we envy no mortal his station or place,
 His home with our home can't compare;
 For our house is blessed by an infinite grace
 And enriched by the spirit that's there.

-Selected

Compiled by a grand-daughter, A.M.M.

The credit for this brief story belongs to my
 sister, Anna M. Blank Miller

118-SIXTH GENERATION-5

2 John Umble Blank, son of Samuel L. Blank

Born Apr. 13, 1837

Died Apr. 25, 1902

Married to Ella Whitman

Born Apr. 6, 1848

Died Sept. 19~~34~~

Children

1 Ora (119)

Born Feb. 10, 1871

2 Ida (121)

Born Feb. 1, 1873

3 Daniel Samuel

Born Nov. 8, 1875

Died Dec. 3, 1878

4 Alice (131)

Born 1880

5 Will

Born May 12, 1883

6 George

Born Feb. 12, 1889

John and Ella lived at Cambridge near Gap,
 Pa., are buried at White Horse near Gap, Pa.
 Were members of Evangelical United Brethren
 Church.

119-SEVENTH GENERATION-118

1 Ora Blank

Born Feb. 10, 1871

Married to Elwood Sheeler Died Mar. 8, 1892
Born Mar. 24, 1866
Died July 10, 1940

Children

1 Earl Leroy

120-EIGHTH GENERATION-119

1 Earl Leroy Born Mar. 24, 1890
Married Lillian Sheeler Born June 7, 1889

121-SEVENTH GENERATION-118

2 Ida Blank Born Feb. 1, 1873
Died Dec. 27, 1917
Married Charles Williams Born Oct. 4, 1872
Died Aug. 2, 1927

122-EIGHTH GENERATION-121

1 Charles Lester Born Mar. 14, 1896
never married Died Jan. 27, 1956

123-EIGHTH GENERATION-121

2 Grace Amy Born Apr. 14, 1898

124-EIGHTH GENERATION-121

3 Alice M. Williams Born July 27, 1900
Malvern, Pa.
Married on June 16, 1920 to Harry J. Clayton

Children

1 Doris Dagmar Born Mar. 17, 1925
Married Robert Miller on May 11, 1942, who lost
his life in World War Two Died Nov. 8, 1944

125-EIGHTH GENERATION-121

4 Thomas E. Born Apr. 24, 1902
Married Anna H. Sorenson

126-EIGHTH GENERATION-121

5 Chester Maurice Born Sept. 30, 1903
Married Esther Tompkins

127-EIGHTH GENERATION-121

6 Ruth E. Born June 22, 1907
Married John W. Pettett

128-EIGHTH GENERATION-121

7 Helen N. Born Mar. 5, 1909
Married Mar. 27, 1930 to Josiah Benner
Children

1 Patricia Ann Born Jan. 8, 1932
Helen married second time to Raymond Lane
2 Robert Clinton Born Dec. 20, 1939

129-NINTH GENERATION-128

1 Patricia Ann Benner Born Jan. 8, 1932
Married Feb. 4, 1952 to Harry T. Verngren
Children

1 Steven Michael Born Nov. 20, 1954
2 Wendy E. Born June 22, 1957
3 Amy L. Born Dec. 17, 1961

130-EIGHTH GENERATION-121

8 Esther M. Williams Born Mar. 24, 1915

131-SEVENTH GENERATION-118

4 Alice, daughter of John U. Blank Born 1880
Died Dec. 3, 1904
Married Aug. 1, 1901 to Amos Umble
Born Feb. 18, 1880
Died Apr. 7, 1947

Children

1 Levi

Born Sept. 16, 1902

Died Feb. 8, 1919

2 Frank

Born Nov. 4, 1904

Alice and her son both born and died at Cambridge, Pa. Members of the Evangelical United Brethren Church

132-SEVENTH GENERATION-118

5 William Blank born near Gap, Pa.

Born Mar. 12, 1883

Married Apr. 11, 1912 to Lena Umble, daughter of Levi and Christine Umble

Born Aug. 3, 1888

William was member of Evangelical United Brethren Church

Children

1 Infant born and died

August 11, 1913

2 Earl Charles (133)

Born Feb. 16, 1916

3 Elmer Levi (135)

Born July 11, 1917

4 Arthur Clayton (136)

Born Jan. 16, 1920

Address: Phoenixville, R. 2, Pa.

133-EIGHTH GENERATION-132

2 Earl Charles Blank, Cambridge, Pa.

Born Feb. 16, 1916

Married Apr. 28, 1939 to Ethel Blanche Farra born in Malvern, Pa. daughter of Lewis W. and Florence Walton Farra

Born Apr. 27, 1917

Works at Philadelphia Electric Co. Cromby Station, Operating Dept. Members of Evangelical United Brethren Church. 40 Aldian Road, Phoenixville, Pa.

Children

1 Miriam Louise (134)

Born Aug. 6, 1940

2 Leona Ethel

Born Mar. 15, 1943

3 Earl Charles Jr.

Born June 24, 1945

134-NINTH GENERATION-133

1 Miriam Louise Blank Born Aug. 6, 1940
Married May 12, 1962 to Joseph Mitchell Myers,
son of Joseph E. and Jean Readman Myers, Spring
City, Pa., r. d. Works at Spring City Knitting
Mills, Inc., L.B.M. Dept. Members of Evangel-
ical United Brethren Church.

135-EIGHTH GENERATION-132

3 Elmer Levi Blank born at Cambridge, Pa.
July 11, 1917
Married May 31, 1945 to Catharine Whiteford born
at Wayne, Pa., daughter of J. Montgomery and
Orpha Myers Whiteford Born Mar. 31, 1922
Rubber worker. Members of Evangelical United
Brethren Church.

Children

1 Frances Orpha	Born May 28, 1947
2 Linda Star	Born Jan. 1, 1951

136-EIGHTH GENERATION-132

4 Arthur Clayton Blank, born at Cambridge, Pa.
Born Jan. 16, 1920
Married June 21, 1953 to Adella May Myers, daugh-
ter of Harry E. and Elizabeth Hastzel Myers, born
Mar. 1, 1930 in Mont Clair, Pa. He works at
Valley Forge General Hospital in the Post Engin-
eers. Members of Evangelical United Brethren
Church. 410 Second Ave., Royersford, Pa.

Children

1 William Lawrence	Born Jan. 8, 1957
2 Mary Elizabeth	Born Feb. 9, 1959

137-SEVENTH GENERATION-118

6 George Blank, Honeybrook, R.D., Pa.

Born Feb. 12, 1889
Died Sept. 11, 1962

Married Cora Plank

Children

- | | |
|-----------------------|--------------------|
| 1 James (138) | Born July 24, 1925 |
| 2 Norman Martin (139) | Born July 13, 1927 |
| 3 Lena Marie (140) | Born June 23, 1930 |

138-EIGHTH GENERATION-137

1 James Blank Born July 24, 1925

Married Sarah Kline

Children

- | | |
|---------------------|-------------------|
| 1 James Richard Jr. | Born May 20, 1953 |
|---------------------|-------------------|

139-EIGHTH GENERATION-137

2 Norman Martin Blank Born July 13, 1927

Married Betty Shirk Born Jan. 24, 1930

140-EIGHTH GENERATION-137

3 Lena Marie Blank Born June 23, 1930

Married William J. Aaron Born Nov. 17, 1929

Children

- | | |
|-----------------|--------------------|
| 1 Shirley Marie | Born Feb. 4, 1951 |
| 2 Thomas Wm. | Born Mar. 21, 1952 |
| 3 June Louise | Born Nov. 24, 1953 |
| 4 Leroy Wayne | Born Nov. 14, 1955 |

141-SIXTH GENERATION-5

3 Justus Henry Blank, son of Samuel L. Blank

Born Nov. 13, 1839

Died Aug. 1918

Went to Cass Co., Missouri in the early 70's

Married Barbara Ellen Yoder Born Feb. 10, 1852

Died July 23, 1941

Members of Mennonite Church

Children

- | | |
|-------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| 1 Oliver Umble (142) | Born Jan. 9, 1874 |
| 2 Sarah Elizabeth (143) | Born Oct. 6, 1875 |
| 3 Frankie | Born Jan. 4, 1881
Died in infancy |
| 4 Pearl May (159) | Born July 1, 1883 |

142-SEVENTH GENERATION-141

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|--|-------------------------------------|
| 1 Oliver U. Blank | Born Jan. 9, 1874
Died Dec. 1956 |
| Married Esther Moon, born in Kamiah, Idaho
Mennonite Church | Died in 1918 |

143-SEVENTH GENERATION-141

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| 2 Sarah Elizabeth (Libby) Blank | Born Oct. 6, 1875
Died May 15, 1940 |
| Married Elmer King who died Nov. 3, 1947
Lived at Garden City, Mo. Members of Mennonite Church | |

Children

- | | |
|------------------------|---|
| 1 Sadie Fern (144) | Born Oct. 6, 1900 |
| 2 Oliver Herman (151) | Born Apr. 2, 1902 |
| 3 Noma Pearl (153) | Born Nov. 30, 1903
Died Sept. 18, 1922 |
| 4 Elsie May (154) | Born Sept. 18, 1905 |
| 5 Nellie Ruth (155) | Born July 8, 1907 |
| 6 Erma Katherine (156) | Born May 5, 1909 |
| 7 Vernon Henry (157) | Born June 22, 1911
Died Mar. 27, 1926 |
| 8 Orpha Ellen (158) | Born Jan. 4, 1914 |
| 9 Alice Esther (159) | Born Sept. 4, 1916 |
| 10 Infant son | Born Jan. 20, 1920
Died Jan. 20, 1920 |

144-EIGHTH GENERATION-143

1 Sadie Fern King Born Oct. 6, 1900
Married Sept. 1, 1923 to Archie King
Born Apr. 10, 1899
Born at West Liberty, Ohio. Address: 300 Tay-
lor St., West Liberty, Ohio. Members of Mennon-
ite Church

Children

1 Ruby Ellen (145)	Born July 20, 1924
2 Herbert Wayne (146)	Born May 27, 1926
3 Merle Victor (147)	Born Oct. 22, 1928
4 Willard Leon (148)	Born Nov. 12, 1931
5 Forest Dale (149)	Born Dec. 4, 1935
6 Vera Elizabeth (150)	Born Dec. 3, 1937
7 Valeta Pearl	Born Nov. 2, 1939

145-NINTH GENERATION-144

1 Ruby Ellen King Born July 20, 1924
Married John Paul, Scottdale, Pa.

Children

1 Terry Bruce	Born Jan. 1, 1955
2 Linda Beth	Born Nov. 5, 1959

146-NINTH GENERATION-144

2 Herbert Wayne King Born May 27, 1926
Married Joane Fridley, West Liberty, Ohio

Children

1 Judy Kay	Born July 21, 1951
2 Janet Marlene	Born Nov. 28, 1955
3 Junie Ellen	Born May 12, 1960
4 Joyce Ann	Born Dec. 16, 1961

147-NINTH GENERATION-144

3 Merle Victor King Born Oct. 22, 1928
Married Dearma Farmingham, Mass.

Children

- 1 Pamela
- 2 Cynthia

148-NINTH GENERATION-144

4 Willard Leon King Born Nov. 12, 1931
Married Lydia Bell Esh, West Liberty, Ohio

Children

- 1 Kenneth Leon
- 2 Stanley Ray

149-NINTH GENERATION-144

5 Forest Dale King Born Dec. 4, 1935
Married Faye Bowman, Scottdale, Pa.

150-NINTH GENERATION-144

6 Vera Elizabeth King Born Dec. 3, 1937
Married Jach McCarty, Bellfontain, Ohio

151-EIGHTH GENERATION-143

2 Oliver Herman King, son of Libby King
 Born Apr. 2, 1902
Married Genevieve Detweiler, Westover, Md.
Mennonites

Children

- 1 Marolyn Joy (152) Born July 23, 1934

152-NINTH GENERATION-151

1 Marolyn Joy King Born July 23, 1934
Married Mar. 28, 1953 to Abram Minnich, Lancaster, Pa. Mennonites

Children

- 1 Debra Lynn Born Apr. 23, 1956
- 2 Stephen Joel Born Sept. 16, 1958

153-EIGHTH GENERATION-143

3 Noma Pearl King Born Nov. 30, 1903
Died Sept. 18, 1922

154-EIGHTH GENERATION-143

4 Elsie May King Born Sept. 18, 1905
Not married. Address: 600 W. Pearl, Harrison-
ville, Mo. Mennonite

155-EIGHTH GENERATION-143

5 Nellie Ruth King Born July 3, 1907
Mennonite. Address: 600 W. Pearl St., Harrison-
ville, Mo.

156-EIGHTH GENERATION-143

6 Erma Katherine King Born May 5, 1909
Married Apr. 16, 1933 to Albert Shrock, Garden
City, Mo.

Children

1 Lyle Kent Born Oct. 9, 1944
2 Philip Ray Born Mar. 17, 1947
Mennonite

157-EIGHTH GENERATION-143

7 Vernon Henry King Born June 22, 1911
Died Mar. 27, 1926

158-EIGHTH GENERATION-143

8 Orpha Ellen King Born Jan. 4, 1914
Married Dec. 25, 1939 to Glen King, West Liber-
ty, Ohio. Mennonite

Children

1 Phyllis Ann Born Nov. 29, 1943

159-EIGHTH GENERATION-143

9 Alice Esther King Born Sept. 4, 1916
Married Ralph Stutzman, Garden City, Mo. Mennonite

Children

- | | |
|-----------------|--------------------|
| 1 Vern Eldon | Born June 8, 1940 |
| 2 Janice Yvonne | Born Oct. 13, 1942 |
| 3 Ronnie Marie | Born Aug. 28, 1945 |
| 4 Ralph Landon | Born Dec. 13, 1949 |

160-SEVENTH GENERATION-141

3 Pearl May Blank, daughter of Henry Blank
Born July 1, 1883
Died Oct. 25, 1957
Married Jan. 1, 1905 at Gunn City, Mo. to Emery Yoder. Mennonite
Died Apr. 14, 1952

Children

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|-------------|-------------------|
| 1 Ina Mabel | Born July 2, 1906 |
|-------------|-------------------|

161-EIGHTH GENERATION-160

1 Ina Mabel Yoder Born July 2, 1906
Married Aug. 16, 1931 to Emory King. Mennonite

Children

- | | |
|------------------------|---------------------|
| 1 Irene Rosella (162) | Born Feb. 13, 1933 |
| 2 Delbert Samuel (163) | Born July 10, 1934 |
| 3 Elbert Emory | Born July 10, 1934 |
| 4 Lloyd Edward (164) | Born Sept. 22, 1936 |
| 5 Marjorie Pearl (165) | Born Jan. 13, 1942 |

162-NINTH GENERATION-161

1 Irene Rosella King Born Feb. 13, 1933
Married Eldon Harms. Address: 1228 S. 38th St.
Kansas City, Kans.

Children

- | | |
|---------------|--------------------|
| 1 Eldonna Joy | Born Apr. 23, 1955 |
|---------------|--------------------|

2 Preston Rodney

Born Oct. 18, 1958

163-NINTH GENERATION-161

2 Delbert Samuel King

Born July 10, 1934

Married June 14, 1957 to Kaye Overly

Children

1 Samuel Glade

Born Oct. 19, 1958

2 Cynthia Kaye

Born June 17, 1960

Address: 1226 S. 38th St., Kansas City, Kans.

164-NINTH GENERATION-161

4 Lloyd Edward King

Born Sept. 22, 1936

Married Peggy Overly

Born Feb. 15, 1937

Children

1 Lloyd Edward

Born Dec. 28, 1957

2 Gregory Lynn

Born July 4, 1959

Address: 5791 W. 81st, Prairie Village, Kans.

165-NINTH GENERATION-161

5 Marjorie Pearl King

Born Jan. 13, 1942

Married June 8, 1961 to Emerson Hartzler

Born Nov. 12, 1941

Address: 2913 Metropolitan Ave. Kansas City, Kans.

166-EIGHTH GENERATION-160

2 Clarence John Yoder, son of Emory and Pearl
Blank Yoder

Born Sept. 1, 1912

Married in 1936 to Florence Ferris. Mennonite

Children

1 Harry Lee

Born Sept. 7, 1937

2 Stevie Dean

Born Sept. 16, 1945

167-SIXTH GENERATION-5

4 Mary Blank, daughter of Samuel L. and Fanny

Umble Blank	Born Dec. 24, 1841 Died in Texas
Married to Christian Hooley Stoltzfus, son of Tennessee John Stoltzfus	Born Oct. 11, 1839 Died in Texas

Children

1 Amanda (never married)	Born Oct. 4, 1862 Died in 1930
2 John Howard (168)	Born Oct. 22, 1864 Died in Oct. 1923
3 Benjamin Frank (170)	Born Sept. 9, 1866 Died in 1939
4 Fannie Matilda (171)	Born Jan. 14, 1870 Died in 1941
5 Katherine (173)	Born June 5, 1871
6 Aquilla Blank (never married)	Born Jan. 14, 1870 Died in 1925
7 Nellie Mary (never married) *See note at the end of this family	Born Oct. 6, 1878 Died Oct. 6, 1961
8 Clement Blank (176)	Born June 24, 1880 Died Dec. 8, 1960
9 Ralph Emerson (no record found)	Born Aug. 17, 1883 Died in 1954
10 Christine H. (180)	Born

168-SEVENTH GENERATION-167

2 John Howard Stoltzfus	Born Oct. 22, 1864 Died in Oct. 1923
Married to Florence Fry	Born Died in 1944

Children

1 Mary	Born Aug. 15, 1907
2 John (169)	Born

169-EIGHTH GENERATION-168

2 John Stoltzfus	Born
Married to Bertha	Born

Live in New York City and have one son.

170-SEVENTH GENERATION-167

3 Benjamin Frank Stoltzfus Born Sept. 9, 1866
Died in 1939
Married to Sarah Shrock Born June 29, 1873
Died in 1942
Both buried in Laurel, Mississippi

171-SEVENTH GENERATION-167

4 Fannie Matilda Stoltzfus Born June 14, 1870
Died in 1941
Married to Adolph Augspurger Died in 1944
Children
1 Lillian (172) Born

172-EIGHTH GENERATION-171

1 Lillian Augspurger Born
Married to John F. Sheldon Born
Live in Houston, Texas
Children
1 Barbara Born
2 John Born
3 Mary Ruth Born

173-SEVENTH GENERATION-167

5 Katherine Stoltzfus, Knoxville, Tenn.
Born June 5, 1871
Married to Charles E. Ferris Born Sept. 23, 1864
Katherine Died in Aug. 1962
Charles Died in 1951
Children
1 Mary Elizabeth (174) Born Sept. 29, 1908
2 Katherine (175) Born

174-NINTH GENERATION-173

1 Mary Elizabeth Ferris	Born Sept. 29, 1908
Married to Edward Newall	Born
<u>Children</u>	
1 Edward	Born
2 John	Born
3 David	Born
4 Sarah	Born

175-NINTH GENERATION-173

2 Katherine Ferris	Born
Married to Robert Scott	Born
<u>Children</u>	
1 Robert	Born
2 Charles	Born
3 Mary Catherine	Born

176-SEVENTH GENERATION-167

8 Clement Blank Stoltzfus	Born June 24, 1880
	Died Dec. 8, 1960
Live in Normanna, Texas	
Married to Bettie Tisdale	Born
<u>Children</u>	
1 Bettie Jane (177)	Born
2 Marybell (178)	Born
3 Joy (179)	Born

177-EIGHTH GENERATION-176

1 Bettie Jane Stoltzfus	Born
Married Magnus Beck	Born
Live in Beesville, Texas	
<u>Children</u>	
1 Mary Joyce	Born
2 Carol Jean	Born
3 Magnus Beck III	Born

178-EIGHTH GENERATION-176

2 Marybell Stoltzfus	Born
Married to Hance Hamilton	Born
Live in Beesville, Texas	
<u>Children</u>	
1 Kathy	Born

179-EIGHTH GENERATION-176

3 Joy Stoltzfus	Born
Married to Ted McMinn	Born
Live in Dallas, Texas	
<u>Children</u>	
1 Ted Jr.	Born
2 Betty Helen	Born

180-SEVENTH GENERATION-167

10 Christine H. Stoltzfus	Born
Married to Dr. C. M. Poff	Born
	Died in 1959
Live in Tuleta, Texas	
<u>Children</u>	
1 Claudia	Born
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*Note: "My parents moved from Gap, Pennsylvania to Knoxville, Tennessee between 1871 and 1875. In 1908, they moved to Tuleta, Texas. All the family except Katherine and Frank followed later. My parents and Amanda are buried at Knoxville, Tennessee. Matilda, Acquilla, Clement, and Ralph are buried in Beesville, Texas."

This is an excerpt from a letter written by Nellie Stoltzfus. She also is buried at Knoxville.

181-SIXTH GENERATION-5

5 Nancy (Annie) Blank, daughter of Samuel L. and

Fannie Umble Blank Born Jan. 26, 1844
 Died Sept. 1, 1903
 Married to David Z. Lantz, son of Samuel and
 Christianna Zook Lantz Born Nov. 18, 1838
 Died Sept. 6, 1908
 Members of Mennonite Church. Lived at Gap and
 Lancaster, Pennsylvania. Both buried in Mennon-
 ite Cemetery, Millersville, Pa.

Children

- | | |
|-----------------|--|
| 1 Mary (182) | Born May 6, 1864
Died Mar. 28, 1920 |
| 2 Henry (185) | Born Apr. 13, 1866
Died Oct. 11, 1918 |
| 3 Leah (186) | Born May 21, 1868
Died Dec. 1, 1925 |
| 4 Parke (201) | Born Aug. 15, 1881
Died Aug. 10, 1962 |
| 5 Samuel | Born in 1885
Died Apr. 17, 1888 |
| 6 Barbara (202) | Born in Apr. 1887
Died July 9, 1960 |

182-SEVENTH GENERATION-181

1 Mary Lantz Born May 6, 1864
 Died Mar. 28, 1920
 Married to David Hartz Born May 6, 1860
 Died in 1959

Children

- | | |
|------------------------|--------------------|
| 1 Sadie Annalena (183) | Born June 19, 1890 |
| 2 Ada Selina (184) | Born Apr. 9, 1892 |

183-EIGHTH GENERATION-182

1 Sadie Annalena Hartz, Washington, D. C.
 Born June 19, 1890
 Married to William Hammers Born
 Died in 1961
 Lives in Washington, D. C.

Children

1	Born
2	Born
3	Born
4	Born

184-EIGHTH GENERATION-182

2 Ada Selina Hartz, Lancaster, Pa.

Born Apr. 9, 1892

Married to Frank Witman

Born

Live in Lancaster, Pa.

185-SEVENTH GENERATION-181

2 Henry Lantz, Lancaster, Pa.

Born Apr. 13, 1866

Died Oct. 11, 1918

Married to Agnes Foose

Born in 1874

Died in Nov. 1957

Children

1 Margaret A.	Born Oct. 16, 1897
2 Harold David	Born Oct. 14, 1900

186-SEVENTH GENERATION-181

3 Leah Lantz, Gap, Pa.

Born May 21, 1868

Died Dec. 1, 1925

Married to Ezra Stoltzfus, son of Bishop Gideon
Stoltzfus

Born Aug. 23, 1867

Died Sept. 30, 1944

Members of Mennonite Church. Both are buried
in Millwood Cemetery.

Children

1 Harry (187)	Born Nov. 27, 1894
2 Mary (190)	Born Mar. 27, 1897
	Died Aug. 18, 1933
3 Frank	Born Nov. 26, 1898
	Died Sept. 25, 1900

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| 4 Christ G. (193) | Born Oct. 7, 1900 |
| 5 Susanna | Born Dec. 21, 1905 |
| | Died in Apr. 1908 |
| 6 Mary Raum (197) | Born Dec. 20, 1907 |

187-EIGHTH GENERATION-186

- 1 Harry Stoltzfus, R. 2, Gap, Pa.
 Born Nov. 27, 1894
 Married Dec. 21, 1922 to Malinda Smoker, daughter of Daniel and Lizzie Beiler Smoker
 Born Dec. 7, 1895

Children

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|------------------|--------------------|
| 1 Glenn R. (188) | Born Mar. 19, 1924 |
| 2 Lucille E. | Born Mar. 5, 1926 |
| 3 Infant | Born in 1928 |
| | Died in 1928 |
| 4 Alvin D. (189) | Born May 22, 1932 |
- Menmonite Church

188-NINTH GENERATION-187

- 1 Glenn R. Stoltzfus, R. 2, Gap, Pa.
 Born Mar. 19, 1924
 Married to Esther Doutrich, daughter of Jason and Anna Doutrich
 Born

Children

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|--------------|--------------------|
| 1 Ernest Lee | Born Mar. 26, 1957 |
| 2 Melva Rose | Born Dec. 3, 1960 |

189-NINTH GENERATION-187

- 4 Alvin D. Stoltzfus, Sadsburyville, Pa.
 Born May 22, 1932
 Married to Anna Shea
 Born

Children

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|----------------|------|
| 1 Debra Lynn | Born |
| 2 Alvin Daniel | Born |
| 3 Yvonne | Born |

190-EIGHTH GENERATION-186

2 Mary E. Stoltzfus, Gap, Pa. Born Mar. 27, 1897
Died Aug. 18, 1933

Married Nov. 24, 1926 to Ezra Nafziger

Born Aug. 15, 1891

Children

1 David Stoltzfus (191) Born June 2, 1928

2 John Eugene (192) Born Jan. 27, 1931

Ezra married the second time to Salome Beachey
Mennonite Church Born

191-NINTH GENERATION-190

1 David Stoltzfus Nafziger, Spring City, Pa.

Born June 2, 1928

Married to June C. Hunsberger on June 24, 1950

Mennonite Church

Born Mar. 2, 1929

Children

1 Mary Kathleen Born June 11, 1953

2 Dale Lee Born Oct. 31, 1954

3 Carla Fern Born Mar. 5, 1956

4 Don Kenneth Born Sept. 3, 1957

5 Dean Conrad Born Mar. 1, 1961

192-NINTH GENERATION-190

2 J. Eugene Nafziger, Kennet Square, Pa.

Born Jan. 27, 1931

Married Lillian L. Singleton Born

Children

1 Mary Ellen Born Nov. 30, 1960

193-EIGHTH GENERATION-186

4 Christ G. Stoltzfus, R. 2, Gap, Pa.

Born Oct. 7, 1900

Married Dec. 17, 1927 to Lizzie Stoltzfus, daughter of Daniel and Susan Stahl Stoltzfus

Born May 20, 1905

Children

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|---------------------|---------------------|
| 1 Dorcas Leah (194) | Born Sept. 30, 1931 |
| 2 Paul Herman (195) | Born Dec. 23, 1935 |
| 3 Nathan Elam (196) | Born Dec. 5, 1938 |
| 4 Anna Mary | Born Oct. 28, 1943 |
| 5 Ruth Esther | Born Nov. 7, 1945 |

Members of Mennonite Church

194-NINTH GENERATION-193

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|-------------------------|---------------------|
| 1 Dorcas Leah Stoltzfus | Born Sept. 30, 1931 |
|-------------------------|---------------------|
- Went to Africa on Oct. 4, 1961, where she is a medical doctor under the Eastern Mennonite Mission Board. Address: Box 50, Tarime, Tanganyika, Africa

195-NINTH GENERATION-193

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|---|--------------------|
| 2 Paul Herman Stoltzfus, R. 2, Gap, Pa. | Born Dec. 23, 1935 |
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- Married June 23, 1956 to Mary Meyers
Born

Children

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|----------------|--------------------|
| 1 Kenneth Lynn | Born Sept. 7, 1957 |
| 2 Kevin Lamar | Born Dec. 28, 1960 |
| 3 Karen Jean | Born Apr. 15, 1962 |

Mennonite Church

196-NINTH GENERATION-193

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| 3 Nathan Elam Stoltzfus, R. 2, Gap, Pa. | Born Dec. 5, 1938 |
|---|-------------------|
- Married Aug. 7, 1959 to Esther Stoltzfus, daughter of Levi and Naomi Smoker Stoltzfus
Mennonite Church Born Sept. 18, 1939

Children

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|-----------------|--------------------|
| 1 Joyce Laverne | Born June 28, 1960 |
| 2 Leonard James | Born Apr. 9, 1962 |

3 Jane Louise

Born Apr. 23, 1963

197-EIGHTH GENERATION-186

6 Mary Raum, foster daughter of Ezra and Leah Lantz Stoltzfus, 501 Schuylkill Road, Spring City, Pa. Born Dec. 20, 1907

Married May 16, 1931 to Earl E. Howe, son of Harry and Sara Slaymaker Howe

Born Aug. 22, 1904

Children

1 Reta Miriam (198) Born Dec. 4, 1932

2 Florence Ann (199) Born Aug. 4, 1934

3 Mary Louise (200) Born May 1, 1938

Members of Mennonite Church

198-NINTH GENERATION-197

1 Reta Miriam Howe Born Dec. 4, 1932

Married Jan. 1, 1952 to J. Leroy Sheats

Born

Children

1 Earl True Born Jan. 8, 1953

2 Jay Leroy Born May 10, 1959

199-NINTH GENERATION-197

2 Florence Ann Howe Born Aug. 4, 1934

Married Oct. 10, 1953 to Allen Beiler, son of Stephan and Gertrude Stoltzfus Beiler

Born

Children

1 Mark Thomas Born Feb. 15, 1962

200-NINTH GENERATION-197

3 Mary Louise Howe Born May 1, 1938

Married Nov. 1, 1958 to Wayne L. Urner

Born

Children

1 Herman Lee

Born Jan. 23, 1962



201-SEVENTH GENERATION-181

4 D. Parke Lantz

Born Aug. 15, 1881

near Gap, Pa.

Died Aug. 10, 1962

Married to Lillie Forrey on Nov. 10, 1906

Born Nov. 1, 1883

near Lancaster, Pa.

Died July 8, 1962

They went to Argentina, South America as missionaries in June 1921, and served faithfully for 26 years. After their return home they were engaged in mission work among the Spanish-speaking people for a number of years. After their retirement they lived in Florida until Oct. 1960 when due to broken-down health, they went to the Mennonite Hospital in La Junta, Colorado. Here,

only a month apart, they both answered the summons to "Come Home." Their bodies were brought east and laid to rest in the Mennonite Cemetery at Landisville, Pa.

202-SEVENTH GENERATION-181

5 Barbara Lantz Born Apr. 10, 1887
Died July 9, 1960
Mennonite Church. For 47 years, Barbara lived and served her Lord at the Christ Home at Warminster, Pa. This is a home for orphan children. She is buried at Warminster, Pa.

203-SIXTH GENERATION-5

6 Elizabeth Blank, daughter of Samuel L. and Fanny Umble Blank, Glen Elder, Kansas
Born Feb. 13, 1846
Died Jan. 14, 1922
Married to George Mancha on Sept. 7, 1875 Born in 1844
Died May 4, 1918
Children
1 Ira (204) Born June 6, 1878
Died in Feb. 1953
2 Grace (205) Born Nov. 1, 1880
Died July 16, 1958
3 Lillian (206) Born Jan. 25, 1886

204-SEVENTH GENERATION-203

1 Ira Mancha, Beloit, Kansas Born June 6, 1878
Died in Feb. 1953
Married to Leona Trumble Born
Died July 25, 1960

205-SEVENTH GENERATION-203

2 Grace Mancha, Beloit, Kansas

Born Nov. 1, 1880
 Died July 16, 1958
 Married July 6, 1905 to Archie Odle Born
 Died July 27, 1958

Children

1 Marvin Born
 Celebrated their golden wedding anniversary in
 1955

206-SEVENTH GENERATION-203

3 Lillian Mancha, 119 N. Washington Street,
 Beloit, Kansas Born Jan. 25, 1886
 Married Apr. 15, 1909 to David E. Anderson
 Born Aug. 20, 1881
 Celebrated their golden wedding anniversary in
 1959

Children

1 Margaret (207) Born June 2, 1910

207-EIGHTH GENERATION-206

1 Margaret Anderson, 20 Gregory Lane, Pleasant
 Hill, California Born June 2, 1910
 Married Apr. 27, 1941 to Sterling R. Stone
 Born

Children

1 Madeline Joan Born Apr. 12, 1942
 2 Robert Norman Born May 27, 1944
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My father, George W. Mancha, was a minister
 of the Reformed Mennonite Church. He also taught
 thirty terms of school and owned a farm on which
 he and his family lived, seven miles southwest of
 Glen Elder, Kansas. From Lillian M. Anderson

208-SIXTH GENERATION-5

7 Lydia Blank, daughter of Samuel L. and Fanny
 Umble Blank Born May 4, 1848

Died Apr. 13, 1851

209-SIXTH GENERATION-5

8 Enoch Blank, son of Samuel L. and Fanny Umble
Blank Born Jan. 3, 1851
Died in Colorado Died in 1909
Never married. Was station agent for railroad
company.

210-SIXTH GENERATION-5

9 Fanny Blank, daughter of Samuel L. and Fanny
Umble Blank Born July 24, 1853
Died May 10, 1884
Married to George Breitweisser
Born Oct. 21, 1848
Lived in Nebraska Died July 1936

Children

1 Ernest	Born
	Died
2 George Jr.	Born
	Died

After Fanny's death, George married her sister
Sadie, No. 219.

211-SIXTH GENERATION-5

10 Samuel Eugene Blank, son of Samuel L. and
Lovina Massey Blank Born Jan. 11, 1857
Died

Married to Anna Gwinther Born
Lived in Sterling, Illinois Died

Children

1 Raymond	Born
2 Mabel (212)	Born

212-SEVENTH GENERATION-211

2 Mabel Blank, daughter of Samuel Eugene and Anna Blank

Born

Died in 1960

Married to Nelms

Born

Children

1

Born

2

Born

3

Born

213-SIXTH GENERATION-5

11 Lydia Blank, daughter of Samuel L. and Lovina Massey Blank

Born June 19, 1858

Died in Aug. 1891

Married to Rash

Born

Children

1 Samuel Blank

Born

Lydia and two children are buried near Dover, Delaware. The above information is from a letter written by brother Aaron in 1926. He also visited her grave.

214-SIXTH GENERATION-5

12 Aaron Blanke, son of Samuel L. and Lovina Massey Blank

Born Sept. 5, 1860

Died at Manhattan, Kansas

Died Mar. 18, 1938

Married to Anna Geneva Stoner at Mt. Morris, Illinois

Born

Died at Stockton, Kansas

Died Aug. 8, 1896

Married the second time to Lizzie Pain at Portis, Kansas

Born

Died at Topeka, Kansas

Died June 1, 1941

Children

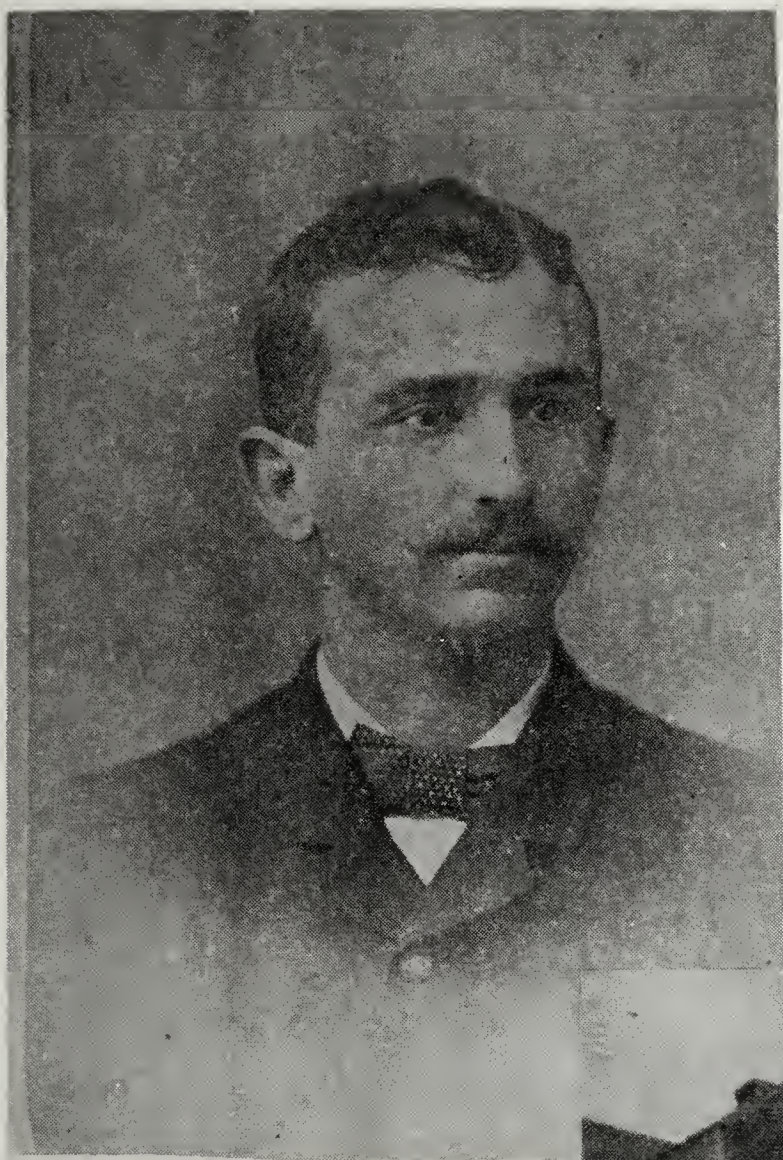
1 Clarence Howard (215)

Born Oct. 4, 1885

2 Verda Kate

Born Aug. 18, 1888

Died Mar. 12, 1932



Aaron Blank
son of Samuel L.
and Lovina Blank

Clarence H. Blanke
at the
Bishop John Blank
homestead



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|---|-----------------|---|
| 3 | Dean Thurman | Born July 2, 1891
Died Dec. 24, 1934 |
| 4 | Mildred Pain | Born July 6, 1901
Died June 5, 1917 |
| 5 | Helen May (218) | Born May 7, 1891 |

215-SEVENTH GENERATION-214

- 1 Clarence Howard Blanke Born Oct. 4, 1885
 Died suddenly of heart attack Nov. 8, 1962
 Members of Presbyterian Church. Married
 Nov. 17, 1909 to Maud Jane Segur, Atchison,
 Kansas Born
 Died Feb. 18, 1950

Children

- 1 Elizabeth Jane (216) Born May 1, 1912
 2 Clarence Howard Jr. (217) Born Dec. 11, 1917
 Address: 4013 St., Atchison, Kansas

216-EIGHTH GENERATION-215

- 1 Elizabeth Jane Blanke Born May 1, 1912
 Married George Ryan, Lawrence, Kansas, Vice
 President of National Bank Born
 Members of Presbyterian Church

Children

- 1 Robert Born in 1938
 2 Richard Born in 1941

217-EIGHTH GENERATION-215

- 2 Clarence H. Blanke, Jr. Born Dec. 11, 1917
 Address: McCook Nebraska. Manager of Quaker
 Oats Company
 Married to Born

Children

- 1 Gunnar Webster Born in 1947
 2 Tanna Louise Born in 1949
 Members of Presbyterian Church

218-SEVENTH GENERATION-214

5 Helen May Blanke, 6724 Parkwood Street,
Hyattsville, Maryland Born May 7, 1891
at Downs, Kansas. Married Dec. 17, 1913 to Lloyd
D. LeRoy, Hyattsville, Md. Born
Died Sept. 26, 1958
Lives at Hyattsville, Md. Members of Presbyterian
Church

Children

1 Virginia Born Aug. 13, 1915
2 Elizabeth Anne Born Feb. 11, 1922
Married Oct. 7, 1955 to LeRoy E. Gross

Part of a letter written by Aaron Blanke after
taking a trip east from his home in Kansas.

August 31, 1926
Knoxville, Tenn.

Sister Sadie and all:

Thinking that a short account of our trip might
be interesting to you. I will write you, and if it
entertains you for only a short time, I will feel
repaid for my effort. Mother and I left home
July 1st. We made our first stop at Cantrell,
Iowa. Near here mother was born, the family
later moving to Osborne Co., Kansas. This com-
munity was settled about 1840.

Our next stop was Davenport, Iowa, where
brother Eugene's son Raymond lives. Davenport
is a beautiful city. We stopped here until Sunday
morning. Raymond drove us over to Sterling, Ill-
inois where his mother lives. A fine drive along
the Mississippi river to Clinton Iowa, where we
crossed to the Illinois side and on to Sterling. We
found Raymond's mother in the best of health.

Leslie Breitweiser lives here also. He with
his family drove us north into Ogee County near
Mt. Morris where I lived for two years after I
was married, 1885-1886, and where the Stoner

family lived before going to Kansas. We left Sterling on the following Saturday morning, going on to Chicago where we staid until Sunday evening with Eugene's daughter Mabel. They live in Maywood, a suburb of Chicago.

Sunday evening we left on the Penna. Railway for Zanesville, Ohio where we took the B & O to McConellville, where Lizzie's people lived in early life. We left there on Saturday evening. At Pittsburgh we went to the Pitts Hotel. Sunday morning started on a daylight trip over the Penna. Railway for Lancaster. Some beautiful scenery along the route, especially the Horseshoe Curve. The next night at the hotel gave us a good rest and we enjoyed the day arriving at Lancaster. We were met by Ada Hartz and her husband Frank Witman where we made our home in Lancaster Co.

On Wednesday we drove down to the Gap. Forty two years absence made a great difference here. Hardly able to locate any old land marks. We went to the home of Ezra Stoltzfus, (his wife was my niece Leah Lantz, she died last Dec. 1, 1925) staying over night. The next morning they drove us over to Cambridge where we took dinner with Aunt Ella, brother John's widow, who keeps house for one of her sons, also a grandson, one of Alice's boys.

From Aunt Ella they drove us to Annie Mast, brother Joe's daughter, where we took supper and spent the evening. Late in the evening they drove us to her sister Tillie's home where we spent the night. The next morning we drove to their sister Betsy where we took dinner. Late in the afternoon we drove over to Joe Blanks. Saturday we were back at Ezras. In the afternoon Mary drove us over to the Millwood church. We walked through the church yard Mary pointing out to us old family names that were familiar but almost forgotten. The grand old farm houses with their huge barns,

all through this community, are great monuments to the industry and strong character of those who now lie in the quiet Millwood Church yard.

We stopped to see Enos Blank who lives with his daughter near the mill. We next drove over to Spring Garden, visiting the graveyard, where father and mother lie together with a long row of Blanks long since forgotten. This is known as the Kurtz or Blank graveyard.

Evening found us back again at Ezras except we took supper at Ernest Masts (Annie's son) who live on the Old McIlvane farm just west of Umbletown. Ezra drove us over to the site of Umbletown, only one house standing, the one on the hill, and the old store building. Barn down next to the creek, the road here is almost impassable showing of how little importance the place is today, compared to sixty years ago when they had a mill, distillery, store, and several other industries. I wonder what Umble started this place. Sunday Mary and her friend drove up to Lancaster with us.

Wednesday morning Ada and Frank drove us to Phila. This was a fine ride, all stone road and beautiful country. We spent three days at the Sesqui Centennial and enjoyed it very much. We spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Lowenstine, who lived in Downs, Kansas for 25 years. Monday morning we took the train to Dover, Del. Here we expected to find relatives of Lydia's husband. We drove out Tuesday to the neighborhood where Lydia first lived after her marriage. Here I found a sister of her husband who gave me all the information I expected. Lydia with two of her children lie in Silver Lake Cemetery near Dover, Del. This we visited later. Lydia has but one son living, Samuel Blank Rash, Wilmington, Del. He is a locomotive engineer, has three children. The father was out on the road and sorry to say, we did not get to see him.

The next morning we drove out from Dover to

Greensboro and Goldboro to see our old Maryland home. Here I had the greatest shock of my whole life. Forty-nine years is almost a lifetime, but I had hardly expected such a change. I believe there must have been a backward movement from the day of father's death. I was hardly able to at first believe there was one thing I could recognize, even the border of lines of the old farm. We had a young peach orchard of seventy-five acres three years old at father's death. This field was a mass of underbrush and trees, young pine trees so thick on the ground you could hardly work your way through. Not a fence to be seen. We had a picket fence around the garden and yard. There was not a sign of the house to be found. I finally located the site by a bunch of lilac bushes that grew in the corner of the garden, and by a sycamore tree that I remembered planting in the yard. This was such a shock to me to see there that I could have sat down and had a good cry. It seemed like a blight had fallen upon the place and I hurried away. We got back to Dover in the evening. Next day we stopped at Wilmington to meet the Rash family.

We stopped at Philadelphia another day then returned to Lancaster. Wednesday I came down to the Gap again to Joe. We had planned to drive down to Chester County to see if I could find the old home there. We made up a party of Annie Mast, her sisters Tillie and Betsy, Joe and his son Earl as a driver. We drove down to Chatam and after inquiring finally located the place. I don't think I was quite eight years old when we left there. This is a nice farm and has been well kept. We had a nice trip down there, and all enjoyed it although it was raining most all day. In the evening after getting back to the Gap, we went to see Joe's brother Sam.

The next day Joe and his family drove me over to Morgantown where Joe's eldest daughter lives. This is the first time I was ever there. I sure

enjoyed this trip. We got back to Gap in time for me to catch the 8:40 trolley car for Lancaster.

We had expected to go to Washington to visit Ada's sister Sadie. But they had gone to Rehoboth Beach, Del. So on Saturday morning we drove down 138 miles. We spent two days here. Her husband, Will Hammers is a lawyer in Washington. Tuesday morning he took us to Washington by way of the ferry across the Chesapeake Bay to Baltimore arriving at Washington at six o'clock. We took in the sights for three days; leaving at seven o'clock on Friday evening for Knoxville, Tenn., arriving at six o'clock on Saturday. Charles and Kate (Stoltzfus) Ferris met us at the station. Amanda came on Saturday and is looking well.

Sunday afternoon Charles took us for a drive over the pike toward Concord. We stopped at the old home of the Stoltzfus family. The country here has improved a great deal, fine roads.

While in Lancaster we drove over the surrounding community and I believe you will not find a better farming community in the world. Nearly all the roads are hard surfaced, farm buildings are all nicely painted, neat blue grass lawns at every home. Our visiting around the Gap was interesting. The home of our Amish relatives recalled recollections of childhood. They all seem to be fairly prosperous. About all the farmers milk a great many cows and sell the milk, taking it to the Gap each morning. However, when I look back over this country and notice the years others have spent here among the rocks and hills, I don't regret that we went west.

Thursday, Sept. 9. We have arranged to start home tomorrow. Don't know just when we will get home. I will close as this about completes our trip and with best wishes to all.

Yours very truly,
Aaron Blanke

219-SIXTH GENERATION-5

13 Sarah (Sadie) daughter of Samuel L. and Lov-
ina Massey Blank Born Sept. 7, 1862
Died Dec. 30, 1938

Married George Breitweiser (210)

Born Oct. 21, 1848
Died July 1936

Children

1	<u>Enoch Bertram</u> (220)	Born Apr. 1, 1887
2	George Leslie (221)	Born Sept. 27, 1889
3	Claude Ray (225)	Born May 26, 1891
4	Homer (228)	Born Feb. 12, 1893
5	Earl Manning	Born Jan. 10, 1895 Died Dec. 22, 1895
6	Fred Harold (235)	Born Nov. 24, 1897
7	Pearl Frank (238)	Born Nov. 6, 1899
8	Henry	Born 1901 Died 1904
9	Floyd (240)	Born May 5, 1905
10	Wayne (244)	Born June 15, 1907

220-SEVENTH GENERATION-219

Enoch Bertram	Born Apr. 1, 1887
	Deceased

Married Gladys

221-SEVENTH GENERATION-219

2 George Leslie Born Sept. 27, 1889
Died Oct. 31, 1962

Married Jessie Graham

Children

1	Donald Leslie (222)	Born Apr. 4, 1919
2	Lyle James (223)	Born Aug. 31, 1920
3	Richard Paul (224)	Born Jan. 21, 1925

Address: 901 W. 19th Street, Sterling, Illinois

222-EIGHTH GENERATION-221

1 Donald Leslie Breitweiser Born Apr. 4, 1919
Married Virginia Wesner
Children

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|---|---------------|--------------------|
| 1 | Bruce William | Born Aug. 12, 1948 |
| 2 | Philip Allen | Born June 26, 1950 |
| 3 | Sue Gale | Born Nov. 29, 1955 |

223-EIGHTH GENERATION-221

2 Lyle James Breitweiser Born Aug. 31, 1920
Married Carol King
Children

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|---|-------------|-------------------|
| 1 | Valerie Ann | Born Jan. 6, 1944 |
| 2 | Cheryl Lee | Born Mar. 7, 1947 |

224-EIGHTH GENERATION-221

3 Richard Paul Breitweiser Born Jan. 21, 1925
Married Frances Miller

225-SEVENTH GENERATION-219

3 Claude Ray Breitweiser Born Mar. 26, 1891
Married Josephine Sterling
Children

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|---|-----------------------------------|
| 1 | Roberta Marilyn Breitweiser (226) |
| 2 | James Sterling Breitweiser (227) |

Address: Fort Atkinson, Wis. Ray is Clerk of
Courts of the County.

226-EIGHTH GENERATION-225

1 Roberta Marilyn Breitweiser, married Tom
Harkness, Attorney, Ness City, Kansas
Children

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|---|--------------|--------------------|
| 1 | Susan Lee | Born Jan. 23, 1946 |
| 2 | Lynn Maureen | Born Sept. 9, 1947 |

227-EIGHTH GENERATION-225

2 James Sterling Breitweiser, Milwaukee, Wis.
Married Norma Harding

Children

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|------------------|---------------------|
| 1 Anna Elizabeth | Born Oct. 7, 1954 |
| 2 Patricia | Born Dec. 11, 1955 |
| 3 Joyce Marie | Born Apr. 8, 1957 |
| 4 David Harding | Born Sept. 17, 1958 |
| 5 Martha Susan | Born July 3, 1961 |

228-SEVENTH GENERATION-219

4 Homer Breitweiser Born Feb. 12, 1893
Married Gertrude Irene Hendricks

Children

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|-------------------------|--------------------|
| 1 Keith R. (229) | Born May 3, 1919 |
| 2 Marjorie Esther (230) | Born Mar. 24, 1923 |
| 3 Juanita Beth (231) | Born July 31, 1925 |
| 4 Virginia Ruth (232) | Born May 23, 1931 |
| 5 Betty Jean (233) | Born Mar. 29, 1934 |
| 6 Mary Louise (234) | Born May 26, 1936 |

Address: Glen Elder, Kansas

229-EIGHTH GENERATION-228

1 Keith R. Breitweiser Born May 3, 1919
Married Helen Ratzlaff Born Nov. 4, 1915

Children

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|----------------|--------------------|
| 1 Robert Keith | Born May 29, 1953 |
| 2 Thomas Lee | Born Nov. 19, 1958 |

230-EIGHTH GENERATION-228

2 Marjorie Esther Breitweiser Born Mar 24, 1923
Married Elmer Ratzlaff Born Mar. 20, 1923

Children

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|---------|--------------------|
| 1 Linda | Born Sept. 9, 1949 |
| 2 David | Born Nov. 14, 1953 |

231-EIGHTH GENERATION-228

3 Juanita Beth Breitweiser	Born July 31, 1925
Married Ivan Foster	Born Jan. 26, 1927
<u>Children</u>	
1 Carol Lee	Born July 21, 1954
2 Dale	Born Sept. 18, 1957
3 Janice Kay	Born Sept. 15, 1959

232-EIGHTH GENERATION-228

4 Virginia Breitweiser	Born May 23, 1931
Married Jerry Self	
<u>Children</u>	
1 Gayle Ann	Born June 28, 1953
2 Dennis Ray	Born Mar. 18, 1955
3 Marie Eileen	Born Dec. 21, 1956

233-EIGHTH GENERATION-228

5 Betty Jean Breitweiser	Born Mar. 29, 1934
Married Philip Martin	
<u>Children</u>	
1 Steven Ray	Born Aug. 26, 1955
2 Sandra Lynn	Born June 30, 1958
3 Pamela Sue	Born July 23, 1959

234-EIGHTH GENERATION-228

6 Mary Louise Breitweiser	Born May 27, 1936
Married Jay Anderson	
<u>Children</u>	
1 Melaine Louise	Born July 8, 1958
2 Monne Kay	Born Sept. 29, 1959
3 Anton Christ	Born Oct. 3, 1960

235-SEVENTH GENERATION-219

6 Fred Harold Breitweiser	Born Nov. 24, 1897
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Married Lillian Hendricks	Died Mar. 30, 1959
(Fred & Homer married	Born Aug. 3, 1897
sisters)	Died Sept. 3, 1929

Children

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|------------------------|--------------------|
| 1 Gwendolyn Beth (236) | Born Dec. 19, 1921 |
| 2 Phyllis Jean (237) | Born July 13, 1924 |

236-EIGHTH GENERATION-235

1 Gwendolyn Beth Breitweiser	Born Dec. 19, 1921
Married Warren J. Cortner	Born Jan. 25, 1921
1231 Harding, Wichita, Kansas	

Children

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|----------------|--------------------|
| 1 Jon Ronald | Born Feb. 10, 1946 |
| 2 Garry Warren | Born Feb. 19, 1949 |

237-EIGHTH GENERATION-235

2 Phyllis Jean Breitweiser	Born July 13, 1924
Married Willard Baker	Born July 10, 1919
Sepulyeda, California	

Children

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|-----------------|--------------------|
| 1 Karen Sue | Born May 9, 1942 |
| 2 Cheryl Beth | Born June 24, 1945 |
| 3 Sandra Jean | Born Nov. 5, 1946 |
| 4 Larry Wilbert | Born July 10, 1950 |
| 5 Jeffrey Alan | Born May 10, 1961 |

238-SEVENTH GENERATION-219

7 Pearl Frank Breitweiser	Born Nov. 6, 1899
Married Mildred Long, Wichita, Kans.	
Address: 3719 Dillon, Cheyenne, Wyo.	

Children

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|----------------------------|-------------------|
| 1 N. K. Milton Breitweiser | Born Dec. 8, 1935 |
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239-EIGHTH GENERATION-238

1 N. K. Milton Breitweiser	Born Dec. 8, 1935
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Married Beth Townsend, 3719 Dillon, Cheyenne, Wyo.
Children

1 Mistyalyn Kay Born July 22, 1961

240-SEVENTH GENERATION-219

8 Floyd Breitweiser, Concordia, Kans.

Born May 5, 1905

Married Aurelia L. Peltier. Floyd is connected
with the Blade Empire

Children

1 Wayne Eugene (241) Born Apr. 17, 1928
2 Carolyn Margaret (242) Born May 24, 1930
3 Evelyn Marie (243) Born Jan. 12, 1932

241-EIGHTH GENERATION-240

1 Wayne Eugene Breitweiser Born Apr. 17, 1928
Married Joyce Jenons

242-EIGHTH GENERATION-240

2 Carolyn Margaret Breitweiser

Born May 24, 1930

Married Gene Bulthaup

Children

1 Robert Michael Born Apr. 30, 1951
2 Richard Gene Born Jan. 23, 1954

243-EIGHTH GENERATION-240

3 Evelyn Marie Breitweiser Born Jan. 12, 1932

Married Donald Gene Lowell

Children

1 James Craig Born Feb. 11, 1954
2 Michelle Marie Born Apr. 16, 1958
3 Bradley Guy Born Dec. 19, 1961

244-SEVENTH GENERATION-219

9 Wayne Breitweiser Born June 15, 1907
Married Elizabeth Keener
Address: 510N-Division, Powell, Wyo.
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Parents lived in Nebraska when the four oldest children were born, then moved to Kansas. Both mother and father died and are buried at Glen Elder, Kansas. Lived on farm; mother moved to Clay Center, Kansas following father's death. From Leslie Breitweiser.

245-SIXTH GENERATION-5

14 Rebecca, daughter of Samuel L. and Lovina
Massey Blank Born Sept. 19, 1864
Died Jan. 10, 1935
Married to Charles Harris Born in 1866
Died in 1953

Children

1 Harold E. Born in 1891
Died in 1904
2 Albert C. (246) Born Mar. 13, 1894
Died Mar. 28, 1950
3 Mary (249) Born
4 Edwin E. Born June 8, 1905
5 Lester C. Born May 31, 1910
Lived in Nebraska

246-SEVENTH GENERATION-245

2 Albert C. Harris Born Mar. 13, 1894
Died Mar. 28, 1950
Married to Margaret Stewart Born July 16, 1896
Children

1 Mary Rebecca (247) Born June 10, 1920
2 Albert James (248) Born June 7, 1922
Members of Catholic Church

247-EIGHTH GENERATION-246

3 Mary Rebecca Harris Born June 10, 1920
Married Sept. 26, 1942 to Dwight Kastrup

Children

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|----------------|--|
| 1 Julie Marie | Born Apr. 15, 1950 |
| 2 Marsha | Born June 6, 1951
Died June 7, 1951 |
| 3 Victor | Born July 7, 1952
Died July 8, 1952 |
| 4 Kent Charles | Born July 15, 1955 |

248-EIGHTH GENERATION-246

2 Albert James Harris Born June 7, 1922
Married Nov. 15, 1947 to Madeline Bertino

Children

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|-----------------|--------------------|
| 1 David M. | Born Nov. 12, 1949 |
| 2 Patricia Ann | Born Feb. 26, 1952 |
| 3 Mary Margaret | Born June 13, 1955 |

249-SEVENTH GENERATION-245

1 Mary Harris	Born
	Died May 30, 1961
Married to Ben Hein	Born
	Died June 14, 1962

250-SIXTH GENERATION-5

15 Magdalena (Maggie) Blank, daughter of Samuel
L. and Lovina Massey Blank Born June 3, 1866
Married William Hargleroad, Juniata, Neb.

Born Feb. 8, 1863
Maggie B. Hargleroad died at Hastings, Neb.

Died Jan. 15, 1945
and was buried at Holstein, Neb.

W. B. Hargleroad died at Hastings, Neb.

Died Feb. 19, 1945
(six weeks after his wife) and was buried at

Holstein, Neb.

Children

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|---|------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1 | Infant son | Born and Died Dec. 18, 1887 |
| 2 | Sadie Pearl (251) | Born July 13, 1889 |
| 3 | William B. Jr. (253) | Born Aug. 27, 1895 |
| 4 | Ruth Magdalene (257) | Born Apr. 12, 1901 |
| 5 | Jewel Marguerite (261) | Born Feb. 10, 1904 |
| 6 | James Clayton (262) | Born Feb. 19, 1906 |
| 7 | Grace Elizabeth (266) | Born Sept. 21, 1908 |
| 8 | Ralph Wendell (267) | Born Dec. 13, 1910 |

251-SEVENTH GENERATION-250

2 Sadie Pearl Hargleroad Born July 13, 1889
Married Dec. 15, 1908 to Louis Nelson

Born Dec. 5, 1886

Died Oct. 30, 1959

Address: Sunnyside, 1401 North 7th, Hastings, Neb.

Children

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|---|----------------------|--------------------|
| 1 | Margaret Edith (252) | Born Dec. 29, 1911 |
|---|----------------------|--------------------|

252-EIGHTH GENERATION-251

1 Margaret Edith, daughter of Louis and Sadie
Pearl Hargleroad Nelson Born Dec. 29, 1911
Married Sept. 2, 1943 to William Carpenter
Beaver, M.D., Grand Junction, Colo.

Children

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|---|-----------------------|---------------------|
| 1 | William Carpenter Jr. | Born Sept. 17, 1945 |
| 2 | Jeanette Nelson | Born May 7, 1947 |

253-SEVENTH GENERATION-250

3 William Brownlee Hargleroad, son of William
and Magdalena Blank Hargleroad

Born Aug. 27, 1895

Married to Anna Johnson

Born Feb. 11, 1896

Address: 8419 Loveland Rd.

Died July 8, 1929

Omaha, Neb.

Children

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|------------------------|---------------------|
| 1 William B. III (254) | Born Sept. 21, 1916 |
| 2 Beverly Ann (255) | Born June 11, 1918 |

Married the second time to Marguerite Smith

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|-----------------|--------------------|
| 3 Kathryn (256) | Born July 24, 1942 |
| 4 Sarah Jane | Born Nov. 9, 1944 |

254-EIGHTH GENERATION-253

- 1 William B. Hargleroad III, son of William B. and Anna Johnson Hargleroad

Born Sept. 21, 1916

Married Louisa Smith

Children

- | | |
|-----------------|---------------------|
| 1 Susan Beverly | Born Mar. 8, 1947 |
| 2 Margaret | Born Sept. 21, 1950 |
| 3 Carol | Born Aug. 31, 1956 |

255-EIGHTH GENERATION-253

- 2 Beverly Ann Hargleroad, daughter of William and Anna Johnson Hargleroad

Born June 11, 1918

Married June 1, 1940 to Dr. R. A. Matlock

Children

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|------------------|---------------------|
| 1 Marguerite Ann | Born Oct. 3, 1941 |
| 2 Richard Aaron | Born Feb. 12, 1943 |
| 3 William | Born Sept. 21, 1944 |
| 4 Robert | Born Dec. 3, 1945 |

256-EIGHTH GENERATION-253

- 3 Kathryn Hargleroad, daughter of William and Marguerite Smith Hargleroad married to Robert Jacobs

Children

- | | |
|------------------|----------------|
| 1 Elizabeth Jane | Born Nov. 1961 |
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257-SEVENTH GENERATION-250

- 4 Ruth Magdalene Hargleroad, daughter of William

and Magdalena Blank Hargleroad

Born Apr. 12, 1901

Married June 12, 1923 to James Paul Rigg, M. D.

Born Nov. 25, 1898

Presbyterian Church

Address: Grand Junction, Colo.

Children

- | | |
|------------------------|--------------------|
| 1 James Paul Jr. (258) | Born Nov. 5, 1924 |
| 2 John Brownlee (259) | Born July 12, 1926 |
| 3 Robert William (260) | Born Nov. 1, 1930 |

258-EIGHTH GENERATION-257

1 James Paul Rigg Jr., son of James Paul and Ruth Magdalene Hargleroad Rigg

Born Nov. 5, 1924

Married to Barbara Jane Reynolds

Children

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|------------------|--------------------|
| 1 James Paul III | Born May 6, 1947 |
| 2 Chris Robert | Born Jan. 25, 1952 |
| 3 Michael Andrew | Born Nov. 11, 1959 |
| 4 Susan Lee | Born Aug. 26, 1961 |

259-EIGHTH GENERATION-257

2 John Brownlee Rigg, son of James Paul and Ruth Magdalene Hargleroad Rigg

Born July 12, 1926

Married to Shirley Tomlinson

Children

- | | |
|---------------------|---------------------|
| 1 John Brownlee Jr. | Born May 31, 1947 |
| 2 Nancy Jane | Born Apr. 4, 1950 |
| 3 Elizabeth Ann | Born Sept. 18, 1954 |

260-EIGHTH GENERATION-257

3 Robert William Rigg, M.D., son of James Paul and Ruth Magdalene Hargleroad Rigg, born at Grand Island, Neb.

Born Dec. 1, 1930

Married Roberta Ellen Orchard, daughter of

William H. and Estella Mortenson Orchard,
Alamesa, Colo. Born Feb. 4, 1932
Children

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|----------------------|--------------------|
| 1 Robert William Jr. | Born Jan. 15, 1953 |
| 2 William Orchard | Born Feb. 24, 1954 |
| 3 Jill Colleen | Born Mar. 19, 1956 |
| 4 Jeffrey Paul | Born Jan. 22, 1958 |
| 5 Julia Ann | Born June 20, 1960 |

Members of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter
Day Saints. Address: Grand Junction, Colo.

261-SEVENTH GENERATION-250

5 Jewel Margarite Hargleroad, c/o Omaha World
Herald, Omaha, Neb. Born Feb. 10, 1904

262-SEVENTH GENERATION-250

6 James Clayton Hargleroad, son of William and
Magdalena Blank Hargleroad Born Feb. 19, 1906
Married Beulah Deems
Address: Lowell Court, Fallon, Illinois
Children

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|---------------------|------|
| 1 Jean Carol (263) | Born |
| 2 James Deems (264) | Born |
| 3 Stanley (265) | Born |
| 4 John | Born |
| 5 William | Born |

263-EIGHTH GENERATION-262

1 Jean Carol Hargleroad, daughter of James and
Beulah Deems Hargleroad married Robert Ander-
son

264-EIGHTH GENERATION-262

2 James Deems Hargleroad, son of James Clayton
and Beulah Hargleroad married Ruby_____.

265-EIGHTH GENERATION-262

3 Stanley Hargleroad, son of James Clayton and Beulah Hargleroad married Celia_____

266-SEVENTH GENERATION-250

7 Grace Elizabeth Hargleroad, daughter of William and Magdalena Blank Hargleroad

Born Sept. 21, 1908

Married Jan. 27, 1928 to John R. Lacko

Born Feb. 24, 1908

Children

1 Anne Jewell

Born Apr. 2, 1941

2 Mary Ruth

Born July 7, 1945

3 Helen Martha

Born Feb. 4, 1954

Members of Presbyterian Church. Address: 2323 North 7th, Grand Junction, Colo.

267-SEVENTH GENERATION-250

8 Ralph Wendell Hargleroad, son of William and Magdalena Blank Hargleroad Born Dec. 13, 1910

Married Ione_____. Address: New Castle, Calif.

Children

1 Denise

Born

2 Susan

Born

3 Jewell

Born

CHRISTIAN L. BLANK FAMILY

This Christian L. and Samuel L. Blank were brothers.

1	Jacob, Dr. came to American in Oct. 3, 1710			
2	Jacob			
3	John Blank (bishop)	1755-1835	3rd Generation	
4	John Blank	1784-1846	4th	"
5	Christian L. Blank	1820-1874	5th	"
6	Enos K. Blank	1852-1929	6th	"
7	Menno Blank	1883-	7th	"
8	Walter F. Blank	1905-	8th	"
9	Mervin G. Blank	1929-	9th	"
10	Kenneth D. Blank	1956-	10th	"

All name of Blank, covers a period of more than 250 years.

268-FIFTH GENERATION-4

Christian L. Blank, son of John Blank, son of
Bishop John Blank Born Sept. 8, 1820
Age 53 yrs, 10 mo, and 29 days

Died Aug. 6, 1874

Married Sarah Kurtz, daughter of Christian and
Catharine King Kurtz, Feb. 6, 1842

Born Oct. 6, 1821

Age 83 yrs, 6 mo, and 20 days Died Apr. 26, 1907

Children

1 Lydia (269) Born Oct. 22, 1843

2 Amos K. (270) Born Sept. 28, 1845

3 Elam Born May 28, 1849

Age 2 yrs, 5 mo, 24 days Died Nov. 21, 1851

4 Enos (271) Born Aug. 19, 1852

5 Ida E. (Kauffman (287) ? Born Feb. 24, 1863

Age 41 yrs, and 12 days Died Mar. 7, 1904

Both parents and little son are buried at Spring
Garden.

269-SIXTH GENERATION-268

1 Lydia Blank, daughter of Christian and Sarah
 Kurtz Blank Born Oct. 22, 1843
 Married Nov. 1, 1866 to Martin Foulk
 Born Oct. 6, 1836
 Died May 27, 1892

Children

1 George Pierce	Born Oct. 7, 1867
2 Alta Lenora	Born Jan. 12, 1870
3 Miller Ross	Born Oct. 5, 1872
4 Elnora Bryant	Born July 23, 1874
5 Enos Victor	Born Sept. 16, 1875
6 Eva Gertrude	Born June 16, 1878
7 Ida May	Born July 29, 1881
8 Leo Blain	Born Feb. 4, 1884 Died Jan. 30, 1885

270-SIXTH GENERATION-268

2 Amos K. Blank, son of Christian L. and Sarah
 Kurtz Blank, Gap, Pa. Born Sept. 28, 1845
 Age 71 yrs, 2 mo, 26 days Died Dec. 24, 1916
 Never married. He gathered many of the early
 records for this family history which has been a
 great help and much appreciated. Amos is buried
 at Millwood.

271-SIXTH GENERATION-268

3 Enos Blank, Gap, Pa., son of Christian L. and
 Sarah Kurtz Blank Born Aug. 19, 1853
 Died Apr. 14, 1929
 Married Dec. 14, 1875 to Barbara Petersheim
 Born Aug. 18, 1848
 Died July 10, 1910

She was a daughter of Christian and Susan King
 Petersheim. Susan King Petersheim was a great
 grand-daughter of Samuel King who came to Amer-
 ica in 1744.

Children

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| 1 Rufus (272) | Born Oct. 3, 1877 |
| 2 Sally A. (273) | Born June 10, 1879 |
| 3 Katie P. | Born July 24, 1881
Died Nov. 17, 1887 |
| 4 Menno (277) | Born Sept. 10, 1883 |
| 5 Abner M. (290) | Born Dec. 3, 1884 |
| 6 Henry W. | Born and Died May 18, 1889 |
| 7 Bertha Heller, foster daughter (294) | Born June 10, 1893 |

272-SEVENTH GENERATION-271

1 Rufus Blank, Parkesburg, Pa.

Born Oct. 3, 1877

Age 74 yrs

Died Dec. 6, 1951

Married Mar. 7, 1915 to Mary Yost, daughter of

John and Susan Eash Yost

Born Sept. 5, 1879

Age 69 yrs

Died Dec. 10, 1948

Rufus and Mary are buried at Millwood



Grandmother Sallie A. Blank Fisher

273-SEVENTH GENERATION-271

2 Sally A. Blank, East Earl, Pa.

Born June 10, 1879

Married Nov. 20, 1910 to Daniel K. Fisher, son
of Eli and Hannah Kurtz Fisher Born Sept. 24, 1879

Children

1 Sylvester (274)

Born Apr. 17, 1912

2 Emory

Born Apr. 28, 1914

3 Allen (276)

Born Oct. 15, 1917

274-EIGHTH GENERATION-273

1 Sylvester Fisher, Christiana, Pa.

Born Apr. 17, 1912

Married Anna Hertzler, daughter of Joseph and
Lizzie Warfel Hertzler

Born July 12, 1916

Children

1 Nancy Ann Born and

Died June 10, 1938

2 Janet Elaine (275)

Born July 22, 1940

3 Allen Lester

Born Aug. 30, 1943

275-NINTH GENERATION-274

2 Janet Elaine Fisher, Paradise, Pa.

Born July 22, 1940

Married Ronald Burkholder, son of Aldus and
Martha Burkholder

Children

1 Jay Michael

Born May 6, 1960

276-EIGHTH GENERATION-273

3 Allen Fisher, East Earl, Pa.

Born Oct. 15, 1917

Married Elizabeth Scott

Born July 16, 1925

Great graddaughter of Henry and Rachel Summers

Children

1 Linda Sue

Born Mar. 10, 1952

2 Daniel James

Born July 10, 1956

277-SEVENTH GENERATION-271

3 Menno Blank, New Holland, Pa.

Born Sept. 10, 1883

Married Lavina Umble, daughter of Samuel and
Savilla Loar Umble

Born Oct. 17, 1880

Children

1 Walter (278)

Born May 18, 1905

2 Mabel W. (281)

Born May 14, 1907

3 Mervin S. (282)

Born Feb. 10, 1910

4 Anna M. (286)

Born Feb. 22, 1913

5 Erma B. (288)

Born Apr. 17, 1916

6 Esther B. (289)

Born Sept. 26, 1919

278-EIGHTH GENERATION-277

1 Walter F. Blank, Honey Brook, Pa.

Born May 18, 1905

Married Ruth Hertzler, daughter of Joseph and
Lizzie Warfel Hertzler

Born July 3, 1906

Children

1 Mervin Glenn (279)

Born Nov. 1, 1929

2 Walter Robert (280)

Born Nov. 2, 1931

279-NINTH GENERATION-278

1 Mervin Glenn Blank, West Chester, Pa.

Born Nov. 1, 1929

Married Jessie Wallace

Born Nov. 27, 1931

Children

1 Deborah Ilene

Born Feb. 5, 1954

2 Kenneth Dean

Born Dec. 20, 1956

280-NINTH GENERATION-278

2 Walter Robert Blank, West Chester, Pa.

Born Nov. 2, 1931

Married Ada Best

Born June 15, 1931

Children

1 Bobby

Born Nov. 20, 1955

281-EIGHTH GENERATION-277

3 Mabel W. Blank, New Holland, Pa.

Born May 14, 1907

Married Ralph Miller

282-EIGHTH GENERATION-277

3 Mervin Samuel Blank, Wayne, Pa.

Born Feb. 10, 1910

Married Anna Bell Ronk

Born Jan. 14, 1913

Children

1 Charlotte Rae (283)

Born Sept. 16, 1934

2 Mary Elizabeth (284)

Born Aug. 23, 1940

3 Sidney Elaine (285)

Born Jan. 13, 1943

4 David Emerson

Born Oct. 6, 1946

5 Mervin Samuel Jr.

Born Dec. 8, 1951

283-NINTH GENERATION-282

1 Charlotte Rae Blank

Born Sept. 16, 1934

Married Barry E. Henry

Children

1 Sharon Lynn at Wayne, Pa. Born July 12, 1954

2 Judy Ann at King of Prussia, Pa.

Born Mar. 4, 1956

3 Cindy Lee at King of Prussia, Pa.

Born Jan. 27, 1959

284-NINTH GENERATION-282

2 Mary Elizabeth Blank

Born Aug. 23, 1940

Married Amos Worthington

Children

1 Stephen at Wayne, Pa.

Born Mar. 5, 1961

285-NINTH GENERATION-282

3 Sidney Blank Born Jan. 13, 1943
Married George B. Gray

286-EIGHTH GENERATION-277

4 Anna M. Blank, New Holland, Pa.
Born Feb. 22, 1913
Married Albert Houck Born Apr. 13, 1912
Children
1 Glen (287) Born Mar. 18, 1933
2 Carl Born Dec. 21, 1943

287-NINTH GENERATION-286

1 Glen Houck, New Holland, Pa.
Born Mar. 18, 1933
Married Reba Steffy Born June 22, 1934
Children
1 Clyde Born May 6, 1956
2 Carolyn Born Apr. 9, 1957
3 Sherry Born May 30, 1958

288-EIGHTH GENERATION-277

5 Erma B. Blank, Honeybrook, Pa.
Born Apr. 17, 1916
Married Leroy Ranck

289-EIGHTH GENERATION-277

6 Esther B. Blank, New Holland, Pa.
Born Sept. 26, 1919
Married Russell Simmons
Children
1 Dale Born Jan. 22, 1940
2 Lee Born Aug. 17, 1943
3 Kenneth Born July 23, 1947

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| 4 Doris | Born Aug. 3, 1951 |
| 5 Janice | Born Nov. 8, 1953 |
| 6 Jane | Born Mar. 17, 1956 |

290-SEVENTH GENERATION-271

4 Abner Blank, Gap, Pa. Born Dec. 3, 1884
 Married Mary Glick, daughter of Samuel and Lydia
 Kenagy Glick, Belleville, Pa. Born Sept. 22, 1894
Children

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|-------------------|--|
| 1 Victor E. (291) | Born May 10, 1923 |
| 2 Betty J. (292) | Born July 17, 1925 |
| 3 Effie M. (293) | Born June 26, 1927 |
| 4 Barbara | Born Mar. 19, 1929
Died age 3 weeks |

291-EIGHT GENERATION-290

1 Victor E. Blank, R. 1, Kinzers, Pa.
 Born May 10, 1923
 Married Margaret Reeder
 Born Sept. 30, 1924
Children

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|-----------------|--------------------|
| 1 Victor E. Jr | Born Oct. 21, 1947 |
| 2 Charles Glenn | Born Aug. 4, 1950 |
| 3 Gerald Deniss | Born May 28, 1954 |
| 4 Cathie Lynn | Born Mar. 11, 1961 |

292-EIGHTH GENERATION-290

2 Betty J. Blank, Enola, Pa. Born July 17, 1925
 Married Melvin Lantz, son of Benjamin and Mary
 Stoltzfus Lantz Born July 22, 1924
Children

- | | |
|---------------|---------------------|
| 1 Judy Ann | Born Sept. 10, 1944 |
| 2 Gloria Jean | Born Dec. 27, 1947 |
| 3 Donna Marie | Born Apr. 26, 1950 |
| 4 Beverly Kay | Born Mar. 26, 1954 |
| 5 Glenn Paul | Born July 16, 1961 |

293-EIGHTH GENERATION-290

3 Effie M. Blank, Talmage, Pa.

Born June 26, 1927

Married Christie Meckley

Born Oct. 3, 1923

Children

1 Barbara Ann

Born Sept. 23, 1954

294-SEVENTH GENERATION-271

7 Bertha Keller, Gap, Pa., foster daughter of
Enos and Barbara Petersheim Blank

Born June 10, 1893

Married Nov. 10, 1915 to Aaron Peachey, son of
David and Sally Glick Peachey, Belleville, Pa.

Born Mar. 29, 1894

Died Sept. 19, 1954

Children

1 H. Albert (295)

Born Sept. 17, 1918

2 Ethel (296)

Born Feb. 13, 1921

3 Ruth (297)

Born May 18, 1924

4 Mary Ellen (298)

Born July 14, 1926

295-EIGHTH GENERATION-294

1 H. Albert, Gap, Pa.

Born Sept. 17, 1916

Married Lena Nissley

Born May 1, 1919

Children

1 Warren L.

Born Aug. 3, 1941

2 H. Albert Jr.

Born July 14, 1943

3 Rodney Lee

Born Sept. 3, 1946

4 Richard

Born Sept. 1, 1947

5 Sandra

Born Nov. 10, 1951

6 Thomas Jay

Born Oct. 14, 1953

296-EIGHTH GENERATION-294

2 Ethel Peachey

Born Feb. 13, 1921

Married John H. Jesberg

Born Sept. 19, 1918

Children

1 Robert E. Born Aug. 4, 1954
Missionaries in France. Address: 5, Ruedes,
Platames Savigny (SUR-ORGE) F - ET - O), France

297-EIGHTH GENERATION-294

3 Ruth E. Peachey, R.F.D., Elverson, Pa.
Born May 18, 1924
Married David K. Hertzler, son of David M. and
Katie Kurtz Hertzler Born Aug. 30, 1920

Children

1 Donna Jean	Born June 21, 1945
2 Virginia Sue	Born July 30, 1946
3 Linda May	Born Jan. 5, 1948
4 Charlene	Born May 6, 1950
5 John David	Born Jan. 5, 1959

298-EIGHTH GENERATION-294

4 Mary Ellen Peachey, Parkesburg, Pa.
Born July 14, 1926
Married John T. Canan Born Aug. 31, 1928

Children

1 Barbara Ann	Born Feb. 1, 1948
2 John T. Jr.	Born Apr. 5, 1949
3 Rande Lee	Born June 10, 1953
4 Michael Dean	Born Jan. 5, 1957

299-SIXTH GENERATION-268

4 Ida C. Blank Born Feb. 24, 1863
Died Mar. 7, 1904
Age 41 yrs, 12 days. Married Menno F. Kauffman
son of Gideon and Susan Kauffman on Dec. 25, 1881
Born Apr. 5, 1859
Died Dec. 29, 1943

Children

1 Eva (300)	Born Oct. 28, 1883
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2 Lydia M. (303) Born Nov. 1, 1883
Both parents buried at Spring Garden

300-SEVENTH GENERATION-299

1 Eva B. Kauffman, Morgantown, Pa.
Born Oct. 28, 1883
Married Dec. 11, 1906 to Henry H. Kurtz, son of
Isaac and Lizzie Hertzler Kurtz
Born Jan. 3, 1877

Children

1 Calvin K.	Born Mar. 4, 1909 Died Sept. 23, 1935
2 Amanda L.	Born Nov. 12, 1910 Died Mar. 21, 1913
3 Elva E. (301)	Born Jan. 30, 1913
4 Naomi I. (302)	Born Nov. 18, 1920
5 Ada E.	Born May 27, 1924

301-EIGHTH GENERATION-300

3 Elva E. Kurtz, Lancaster, Pa.
Born Jan. 30, 1913
Married Oct. 20, 1945 to Philip Peachey, son of
Jonas and Arie Peachey
Born Oct. 30, 1911
Died May 20, 1962

302-EIGHTH GENERATION-300

4 Naomi I. Kurtz, Belleville, Pa.
Born Nov. 18, 1920
Married Nov. 16, 1946 to Urie Peachey, son of
Aaron and Katie Peachey
Born Apr. 5, 1923

Children

1 Glen L.	Born Nov. 26, 1947
2 Gladys E.	Born May 27, 1951

303-SEVENTH GENERATION-299

2 Lydia Malinda Kauffman, Atglen, Pa.

Born Nov. 1, 1885

Died June 28, 1953

Married Feb. 12, 1912 to William Homer Shetler,
son of Lewis and Lydia Nafziger Shetler, Davids-
ville, Pa.

Born July 30, 1885

Died May 20, 1949

Children

1 Melba Ruth (304)

Born Nov. 22, 1913

2 Mary Martha (305)

Born Feb. 1, 1915

3 Vernon Lewis (308)

Born Oct. 13, 1916

4 Beatrice Ellen (309)

Born July 26, 1918

5 Dorcas Ann

Born June 9, 1920

Died Mar. 3, 1923

6 Frances Lydia (310)

Born Nov. 22, 1921

7 Erma Grace (311)

Born Sept. 12, 1924

8 Emma Margaret (312)

Born Nov. 10, 1926

304-EIGHTH GENERATION-303

1 Melba Ruth Shetler, Sadsburyville, Pa.

Born Nov. 22, 1913

Married Nov. 28, 1935 to Leon Umble, son of John
and Ada Kauffman Umble

Born Mar. 20, 1911

Children

1 Mary Ellen

Born Jan. 6, 1937

2 Ethel Jean

Born Apr. 13, 1938

Died Sept. 10, 1938

3 Lawrence Harvey

Born Sept. 9, 1939

4 Dale Leroy

Born Dec. 25, 1942

5 Marian

Born July 18, 1945

6 David Lee

Born July 22, 1949

7 Linda

Born July 23, 1952

8 Shirley

Born Aug. 2, 1955

305-EIGHTH GENERATION-303

2 Mary Martha Shetler, R. 1, Gap, Pa.

Born Feb. 1, 1915
Married Nov. 10, 1935 to Isaac Glick, son of
Jacob and Annie Stoltzfus Glick Born June 11, 1911
Children

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|-----------------------|---|
| 1 Anna Louise | Born Nov. 7, 1936
Died Nov. 12, 1940 |
| 2 Frances Carol (306) | Born Sept. 17, 1938 |
| 3 Doris Sue (307) | Born Feb. 23, 1942 |
| 4 Jacob Roy | Born June 3, 1943 |
| 5 Mary Lydia | Born Nov. 1, 1944 |
| 6 Delmar William | Born Oct. 19, 1947 |

306-NINTH GENERATION-305

2 Frances Carol Glick Born Sept. 17, 1938
Married May 23, 1959 to William Dorn
Children

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|-----------------|--------------------|
| 1 Rhonda Louise | Born July 8, 1960 |
| 2 Anita Carol | Born July 21, 1961 |

307-NINTH GENERATION-305

3 Doris Sue Glick, R. 3, Lititz, Pa.
Born Feb. 23, 1942
Married to Paul Stauffer
Children

- | | |
|--------------|--------------------|
| 1 Korina Ann | Born Jan. 25, 1962 |
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308-EIGHTH GENERATION-303

3 Vernon L. Shetler, Rock Falls, Illinois
Born Oct. 13, 1916
Married July 19, 1942 to Alice Jones
Born Feb. 14, 1925
Children

- | | |
|------------------|--------------------|
| 1 Carol Jean | Born June 28, 1943 |
| 2 Vernon William | Born Apr. 29, 1946 |
| 3 David Duane | Born Dec. 22, 1956 |
- Address: Rock Falls, Illinois

309-EIGHTH GENERATION-303

4 Beatrice E. Shetler, Atglen, Pa.

Born July 26, 1918

Married Sept. 11, 1946 to Warren Miller

Born Nov. 26, 1920

Children

1 Joseph Warren

Born July 19, 1953

2 Mary Jean

Born July 8, 1955

310-EIGHTH GENERATION-303

6 Frances L. Shetler, Atglen, Pa.

Born Nov. 22, 1921

Married Aug. 11, 1945 to Ralph Stoltzfus, son of
Joseph and Emma Stoltzfus Stoltzfus

Born Nov. 21, 1919

Children

1 Jean Louise

Born June 25, 1947

2 Audrey Kay

Born Jan. 12, 1951

3 Sharon Lynn

Born Feb. 20, 1956

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7 Erma Grace Shetler, Hannibal, Missouri

Born Sept. 12, 1924

Married July 1961 to Melvin Stuckey

Barbara Ann

Born June 6, 1963

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8 Emma Margaret Shetler, Harrisonburg, Va.

Born Nov. 10, 1926

Married Dec. 17, 1955 to Kenton Brubaker

Born Feb. 17, 1932

Children

1 Karl Eugene

Born Nov. 6, 1956

2 Kaye Lorraine

Born Apr. 23, 1958

3 Loretta Jane

Born June 18, 1959

4 Annette

Born Dec. 13, 1961

The Blank Cemetery



The Blank Cemetery is located in a quiet, restful spot away from the modern traffic and railroads, on a corner of the Bishop John Blank homestead, about one mile north of Spring Garden Store.

John Blank and his wife Barbara King Blank, the ancestors of this family, lived on this farm in the pioneer days. After living together for fifteen and one half years, the mother was called to her reward on July 2, 1794. Her body was laid to rest on the home farm, the first grave in this Cemetery.

Here we find about one hundred graves including the bodies of five generations of Blank, and some of the sixth generations of Stoltzfus awaiting the coming of our Lord, The Stoltzfus family are still burying their loved ones here.

We also find the following names as Fisher, Kauffman, Kurtz, Newhouser, Lapp, Petersheim, Reeser, Stoltzfus, Umble, and Wallace. Most of

these are descendants of Bishop John Blank.

This Cemetery is well cared for by interested friends, is enclosed with a good fence, and shaded by beautiful maple trees.

When we see how some cemeteries are neglected and forgotten, this is much to be appreciated. Not only did these ancestors provide for the present but also for the future generation.

This Blank family has a deed made for the Cemetery and also provide a right of way through the farm, (on record in Lancaster Court House) while the farm was in their possession.

The cemetery was cared for by friends and descendants who usually met several times a year and mowed by hand, trimmed grass, and cleaned the tombstones.

Between 1912 and 1915, the cemetery was about to be destroyed. However, David L. Stoltzfus who was a great grandson of Bishop John Blank, and Peter Reeser whose bodies are now resting here, were both much interested in the cemetery and together they solicited the sum of \$400 from friends and relatives, a fence was erected and provisions were made for the upkeep for 9,999 years.

At the present time Samuel F. Stoltzfus has charge of this with no salary. He also has free help.

The lane leading to the cemetery was fixed up by donations. Sem Hershey, owner of the farm, paid half.

We are thankful to our Heavenly Father that the homestead and cemetery are in charge of those who honor and care for our dear departed ones.

THE OLD GRAVE YARD

On yonder little sloping hill,
So very lone, so calm and still,
Where wild-flowers bloom and fade at will,
There sleep the lovely dead!

They heed not now the passer by,
The mourner's step nor parting sigh,
Nor e'en the wild storms fearful cry,
Above their lowly beds.

Old grave-yard! dear to my soul thou art!
Of the past, the present, of life a part,
For those who live in my inmost heart
Are claimed by thee.

And when my mourning life is o'er,
When I have passed the dreamy shore,
Oh! take my dust forevermore
To blend with theirs!

By Sarah Dennelsbeck

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WHEN THE ROLL IS CALLED UP YONDER

1

When the trumpet of the Lord shall sound,
And time shall be no more,
And the morning breaks eternal bright and fair;
When the saved of earth shall gather
over on the other shore
And the roll is called up yonder, I'll be there.

When the roll is called up yonder
When the roll is called up yonder
When the roll is called up yonder,
I'll be there.

2

On that bright and cloudless morning
When the dead in Christ shall rise,
And the glory of His resurrection share;
When His chosen ones shall gather
To their home beyond the skies,
And the roll is called up yonder, I'll be there.

3

Let us labor for the Master
from the dawn till setting sun.
Let us talk of all His wondrous love and care;
Then when all of life is over,
And our work on earth is done,
And the roll is called up yonder, I'll be there.

SACRIFICE

1

If they could dare to cross the sea,
When twas a journey to be feared,
To found a nation to be free,
Where God by all could worshipped be,
And thank him as the coast they neared.
Have we not, warmly housed and clad
The faith our Pilgrim fathers had?

2

Do we the Pilgrim courage lack?
With all our means must we despair?
Storm driven, they would not turn back,
The wilderness they dared to track,
Though countless hardships faced them there;
That in his time a land should be,
Wrought under God and liberty.

3

Ours is that land; Its founders they;
Ours is the altar where they prayed,
And evil threatens it today.
Under the challenge can we say
That we to meet it are afraid?
Is it for God and freedom's sake
Too great a sacrifice to make?

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